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indicating an Oliver in Vermont
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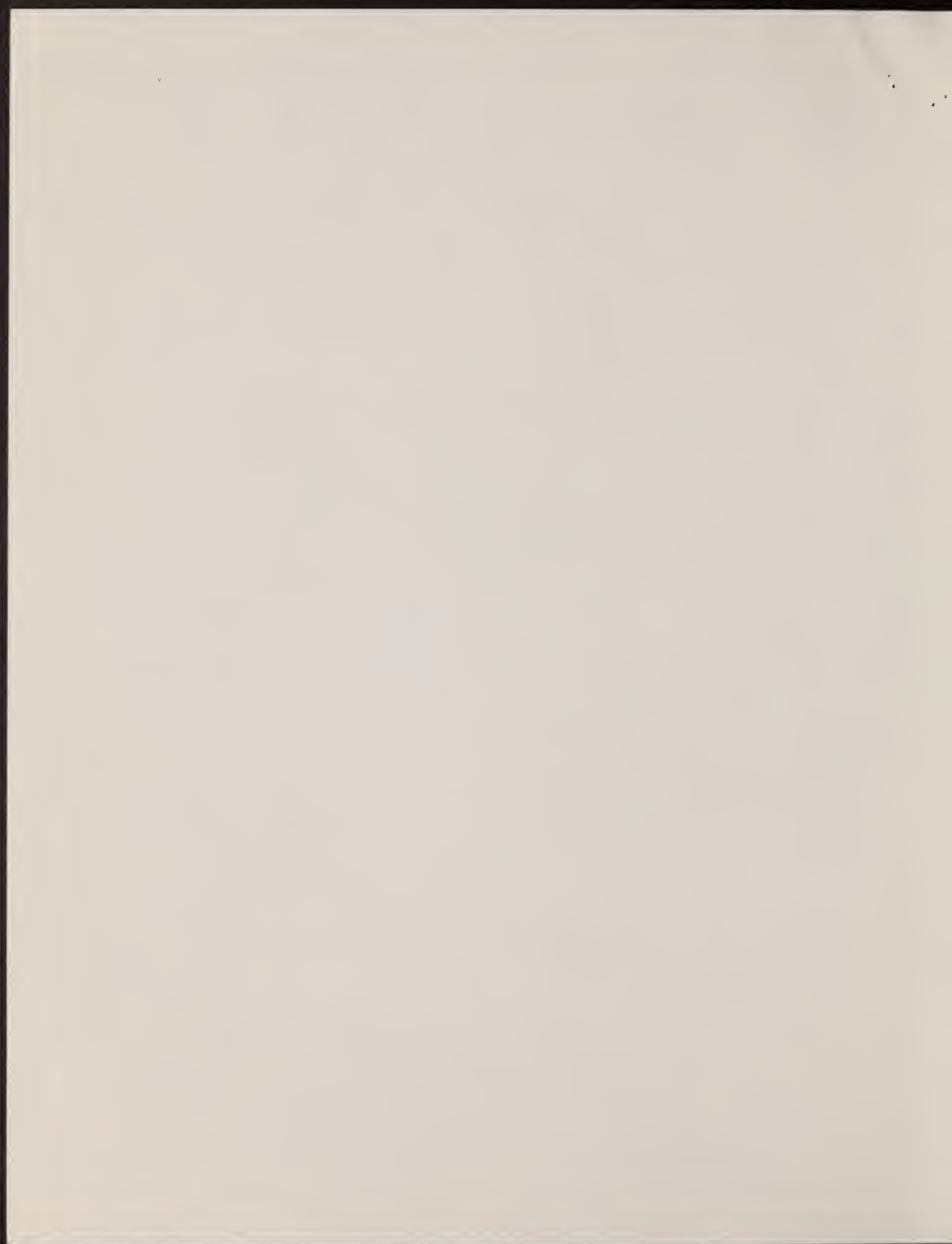
Dear Sir:

Thankyou very much for your autographed booklet on Jean Richard, U.E. After reading the fascinating story, I felt the urge to write to you and explain my reason for requesting it.

I have been researching the Reed family tree which starts in Canada with William Read Sr. U.E. of Kitley. His youngest son, David Read (later spelled Reed) married Lovina Church on June 21, 1831 in Kitley. Around 1843, David Reed moved to the township of Leeds and Lansdowne where he resided until his death somewhere between 1861 and 1871. I have been unable to find any information on Lovina Church except for the marriage record and the fact that she does not appear in the 1851 or 1861 census records for Lansdowne. My only clue as to who her parents might have been appeared in Leavitt's "History of Leeds and Grenville", page 91. "The subject of this sketch (Jeremiah R. Church) is the son of Oliver Church, who was born in Danbury, Vermont; came to Canada in 1805, with his father, Oliver Church, Sr., the latter settling in Kitley, near Mud Lake, removing from there to Wolford and locating on Lot 18 in the 1st Concession where he died in 1841. When Oliver Jr., was twenty-one years of age he removed to Kitley (1818) purchasing the farm of Henry Humphrey. In 1821, he proceeded to Wolford, settling near his father, dying in 1877, at the age of eighty-one." On page 116 of the same book with regards to the settlement of Kitley it states "Oliver Church and his sons, Oliver, Joseph and William were American emigrants, who settled on Lot No. 28, of the 8th Concession". The land petitions revealed that Oliver Church petitioned for and was granted in 1807 a lease on Lot 26 Concession 8 in Kitley. Since these lots were adjacent to lot 27 owned by William Read Sr. it seemed possible that Lovina Church might be the daughter of Oliver Church Sr.

When I read the article in the June O.G.S. Newsletter about a daughter of Jean Richard marrying Lt. Oliver Church of Fredericksburgh, I began to wonder if there was any connection between him and the Oliver Church of Kitley and Wolford. I investigated further by looking at the U.E. land petitions and by requesting a copy of your booklet on Jean Richard. The only thing my investigation has accomplished is the creation of a fascinating mystery.

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Rather than write out the summary of my research into the land petitions I am enclosing a letter I wrote to a friend who is also interested in the Reed family and Lovina Church. The following are my comments on the mystery.

William D. Reid's "Loyalists in Ontario" does not list Oliver Church as being a son of Oliver and Jemima Church and yet in a petition dated October 14, 1797 Oliver Church Jr. of Fredericksburgh was granted 400 acres as a volunteer and son of a lieutenant, Nov. 23, 1798. In a petition dated Feb. 13, 1822, Jamima Church states that "her eldest son, Captain Oliver Church, the younger, has become heir at law to her husband's estate". If Oliver Church and Jemima Richard were married in 1782, Oliver Church Jr. must be the progeny of an earlier marriage. If Oliver Church Jr. was a volunteer he would have to be born at least in the 1760's.

In the petition by Elizabeth Church dated January 8, 1803 it states that Oliver Church Jr. was suspended from the U.E. list. Why was he suspended? Was it because he returned to the U.S. after 1798? How did he become Captain in 1822? Is he the same person who emigrated to Kitley in 1805 and became Oliver Church Sr.?

In January, 1832 William Young Church, son of Oliver Church Jr. - Marysburgh petitions for land as the son of a loyalist. Was Oliver Church Jr., reinstated on the U.E. list? In 1847 we have further indication that Oliver Church, the younger was in Marysburgh. This would make it impossible for Oliver Church Sr. of Kitley who died in 1841 to be the same person as Oliver Church, the younger, of Marysburgh living in 1847. Is the "printed word" correct? Are we dealing with two Oliver Church families or three generations of Oliver Church? WHO WAS LOVINA CHURCH?

Dr. Burleigh, I thank you for your indulgence in reading this letter. My wife and family think I am crazy for spending three years looking into my family history. I got great satisfaction in pointing out to them that you have spent more than forty years doing the same thing. Thank you again.

Yours truly,

Alan B. Reed

Attachment

William Reed Sr
of Kitley

David = 21.6.1831 Lovina Church
in Kitley not in census 1857 or 61
youngest son
moved to Leeds 1842
d. btw 1861-71

Oliver Sr
to Canada 1805
Oliver Jr
1805

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Dear Bill:

I have been very busy at work this summer and at the same time have been preparing to open my own office on August 1st. There has been no time left to pursue the Reed genealogy. However an article in the June O.G.S. Newsletter about a daughter of Jean Richard marrying Lt. Oliver Church of Fredericksburgh caught my eye and I investigated further by looking at the U.E. land petitions. I thought you might be interested in a summary of my research. I will send the details when I get it transcribed from my notes.

OLIVER CHURCH

September 18, 1788, Fredericksburgh

Oliver Church, Lieutenant 2nd Battalion, Kings Royal Regiment of New York, son of Malachy Church (deceased 1776), petitioned for the land his deceased father would have been entitled to had he lived.

June 15, 1789, Kingston

Oliver Church, (as above) having received 550 acres of land for self and family (100 acres in AABB - Fredericksburgh; 100 acres No. 23 Conc. 4 - Fredericksburgh; 100 acres Lot 11 Eastside of Catarqui River; 250 acres Lot 3 - Sophiasburgh) petitioned for an additional 1800 acres adjoining the lands given to Lt. Hazelton Spencer in Sophiasburgh.

July 11, 1793, Niagara

Hazelton Spencer on behalf of Lt. Oliver Church and himself petitioned for confirmation of the 1000 acres that had been located for them on Lot No. 2, North side of Burlington Bay.

February 29, 1804 (date received)

Lt. Oliver Church stated that the 500 acres located at the head of the lake at a place called Burlington Bay had been granted to military claimants before the land had been purchased from the Indians and the authority of the land board had been taken away in 1792 because of the mistake. He petitioned for 500 acres in lieu of the land not received so that he would be on the same footing as Hazelton Spencer Esq. who drew land in 1792 in the Township of Marysburgh. (The request was granted July 27, 1804).

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January 25, 1809 - Fredericksburgh

Jemiah Church, daughter of John Richards Sr. and wife of Oliver Church of the Township of Fredericksburgh petitioned for land.

February 13, 1822 - Fredericksburgh

Jamima Church, widow of the late Captain Oliver Church, Fredericksburgh states that her husband died in a state of insanity many years ago, intestate, whereby her eldest son, Captain Oliver Church, the younger, has become heir at law to her husbands estate and that during her said husbands lifetime he got himself involved in debt through a failure in the timber trade and was in consequence obliged to sell off for a mere trifle all the lands he received from the government with the exception of 350 acres in the Fifth Town called Marysburgh and leaving her no property of any note except her right of dower in a dwelling house and a small tract of ground. She also states that she was granted 200 acres as the daughter of a U.E. Loyalist and given a Warrant which she never used. She petitioned for the 350 acres in Lot C, 2nd Conc., Marysburgh which her son, heir at law claimed was described in her husbands name.

Notes on the petition from the Surveyor General's office state that the land described above in the name of Lt. Oliver Church issued June 19, 1795 was afterwards recalled and cancelled owing to an error in describing the land in Halowell instead of Marysburgh and no description for the 350 acres has since issued. It also states that the land desired was under order of survey on the application of several other persons and that there would not be sufficient to accommodate them.

CHILDREN OF OLIVER CHURCH SR. who petitioned for land:

October 14, 1797 - Fredericksburg - Oliver Church Jr. Granted 400 acres as a volunteer and son of a lieutenant, Nov. 23, 1798.

January 8, 1803 - Fredericksburg - Elizabeth Church. Recommended for 200 acres, May 10, 1803. Note on the petition states "Oliver Church on the U.E. List and Oliver Church Junior suspended, question of which is she the daughter. Elizabeth Church has had no lands."

January 26, 1807 - Fredericksburg - John Church. Granted 200 acres, February 9, 1809 by warrant.

January 4, 1808 - Ernestown - Mary (Church) Pruyn, daughter of Oliver Church Sr. and wife of William Pruyn.



January 4, 1808 - Ernestown, Elizabeth Church. Not granted because petitioner has had 200 acres under O.C. 10 May, 1803 and warrant V-?

January 21, 1811 - Fredericksburgh, Ellinor Church. Granted 200 acres 16 February 1811. Warrant E92 issued 22 February 1811.

April 23, 1817 - Fredericksburgh, William Church son of Oliver Church late of Township of Fredericksburgh in Midland District. Granted 9 July 1817.

July 9, 1817 - York, William Church. Petition states that the petitioner's father, Lt. Oliver Church of the Royale Regiment of Newyorke, deceased, has been returned on the plan of Fredericksburgh in former days for the east half of lot 23, 2nd concession. After his father's death he took possession of the land supposing it to be his fathers, built a house, outbuildings, fences and planted orchards and made improvements suitable for farming. Then making inquiries about his father's land he found that 1999 acres had been granted to his father in various parts of the Province and that although his father's name appeared on the plan, Lot 23, Conc. 2 - Fredericksburg it did not seem to be included in the 1999 acres and he wished the land before it reverted to the Crown.

Notes to petition

1. Permission granted to locate on east half of lot July 10, 1817.
2. Name of Oliver Church appeared on plan of Deputy Surveyor. No description issued.
3. Referred back to the Surveyor General to report what lands have been entered in the name of Oliver Church.
4. It appears that the following lands have been located in the name of Lieut. Oliver Church.

	<u>Acres</u>
In Fredericksburgh	344
In Sophiasburgh	450
In Halowell	950
In Marysburgh	350

Total 2094 acres of which
100 acres now applied for are part.

January, 1832, William Young Church, son of Oliver Church, Jr., of the Township of Marysburgh in the Midland District.

May 21, 1847 - Fredericksburgh, William Y. Church petitioned that he be given E $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot 23, Conc. 4.



This petition was accompanied by statement of Oliver Church, the younger, of the Township of Marysburgh that he had given a quit claim to William Church for 100 pounds. Dated May 21, 1847.

It appears (hard to read) that this land was not registered to the Church's. Only E $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot 23, Conc. 5 was registered. Land Board recommended that the lot be given to someone else.

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Joseph Church, Gananoque and 14 others petitioned for land as payment for clearing a road from Gananoque to Kingston Mills.

1818 - Ph. Church, Lennox; William Church, Addington; John Church, Addington were among names of persons who petitioned for a survey of lots in the Village of Fredericksburgh.

JONATHAN MILLS CHURCH

March 21, 1791 - Elizabethtown.

Jonathan M. Church, Sergeant 2nd Battalion, Royal Regiment of New York having received 200 acres petitioned for an additional quantity of land as others in his situation had received. Granted 100 acres October 19, 1791.

November 19, 1794 - County of Grenville.

Jonathan Mills Church having drawn only 200 acres petitioned for an additional 200 acres.

May 24, 1800 - Augusta

J. Mills Church, son of Malachy Church deceased in Montreal, December, 1776, petitioned for a quantity of land for himself, his mother and five children which he had the charge of from their infancy after the decease of his father.

June 23, 1800 - again petitioned for an additional 200 acres as a Sergeant.

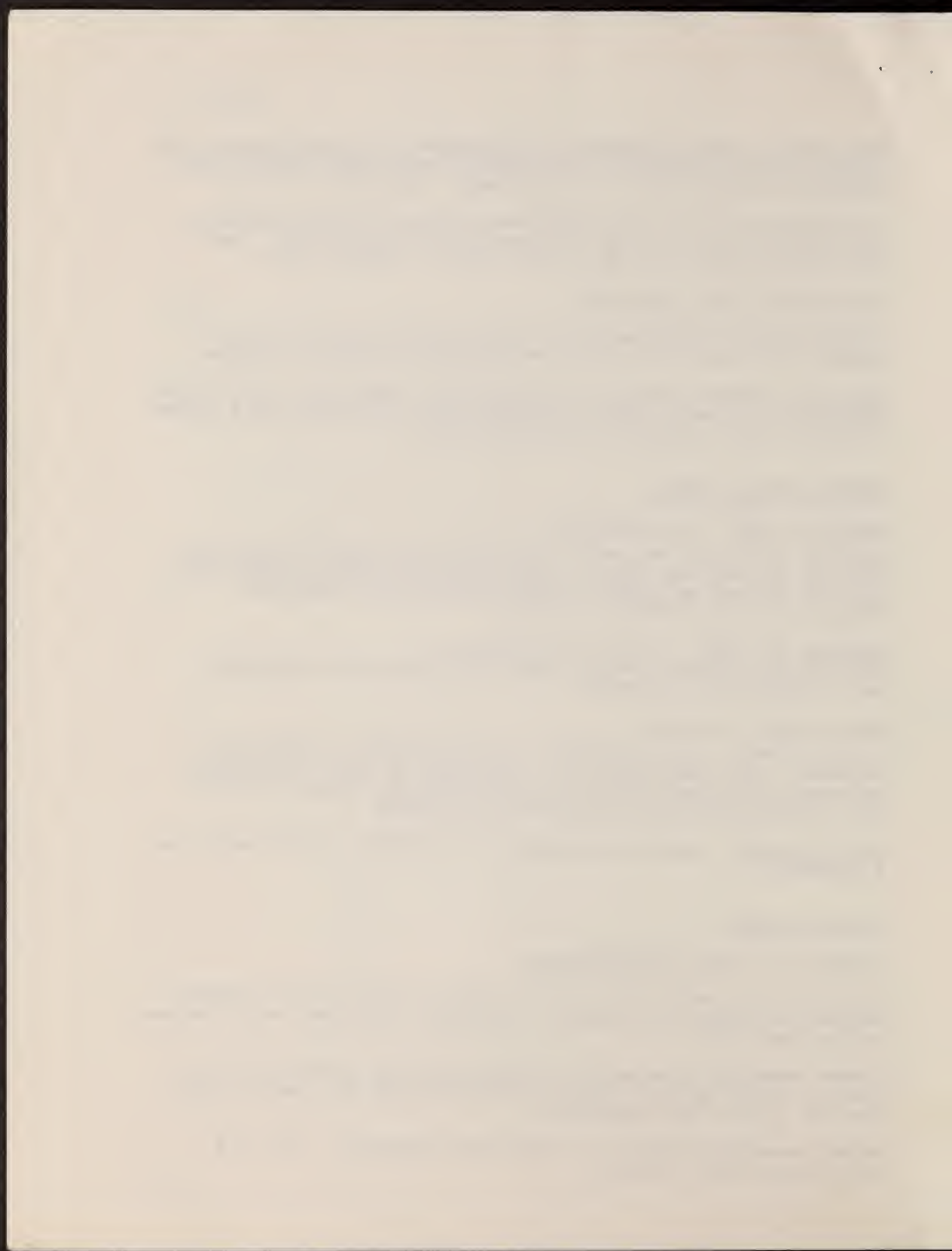
WILLIAM CHURCH

October 12, 1797 - Elizabethtown.

William Church petitioned for 300 acres of land in the Eastern District on behalf of himself, a wife and 5 children born previous to the year '89.

A note signed by Gersham Wing states that May Parish, relic of Ezekial Parish and now wife of William Church U.E. was put upon the U.E. list at New Johnstown.

Noted "Received 4 Nov. 97 - Certificate Wanting". "25 July - Certificate still wanting".



March 9, 1829

William Church petitioned the Quebec Land Board for Lot 13, Conc. 11, Leeds Township. A statement accompanying the petition says that has been dwelling on Lot 12, Conc. 11, with a family of eight children and has not completed the required improvements because it was necessary to work out to support his family.

In our search for information on Lovina or Margaret Church, wife of David Read, the above only increases the confusion and raises more questions.

Is the Oliver Church of Fredericksburgh and the Oliver Church of Kitley and Wolford of the same family? Why was Oliver Church, Jr. suspended from the U.E. list? Is he "Leavitt's - Oliver Church, Sr", who came to Canada in 1805? Did he die in 1841 in Wolford or did he return to Marysburgh?

Were the 5 children mentioned in Jonathan Mills Church's petition his brothers and/or sisters or his own children? (See list of children in Wm. D. Reid's Loyalists in Ontario). What happened to these brothers and sisters and who were they?

Who was William Church of Leeds? Who were his 8 children? Could Margaret or Lovina be his daughter?

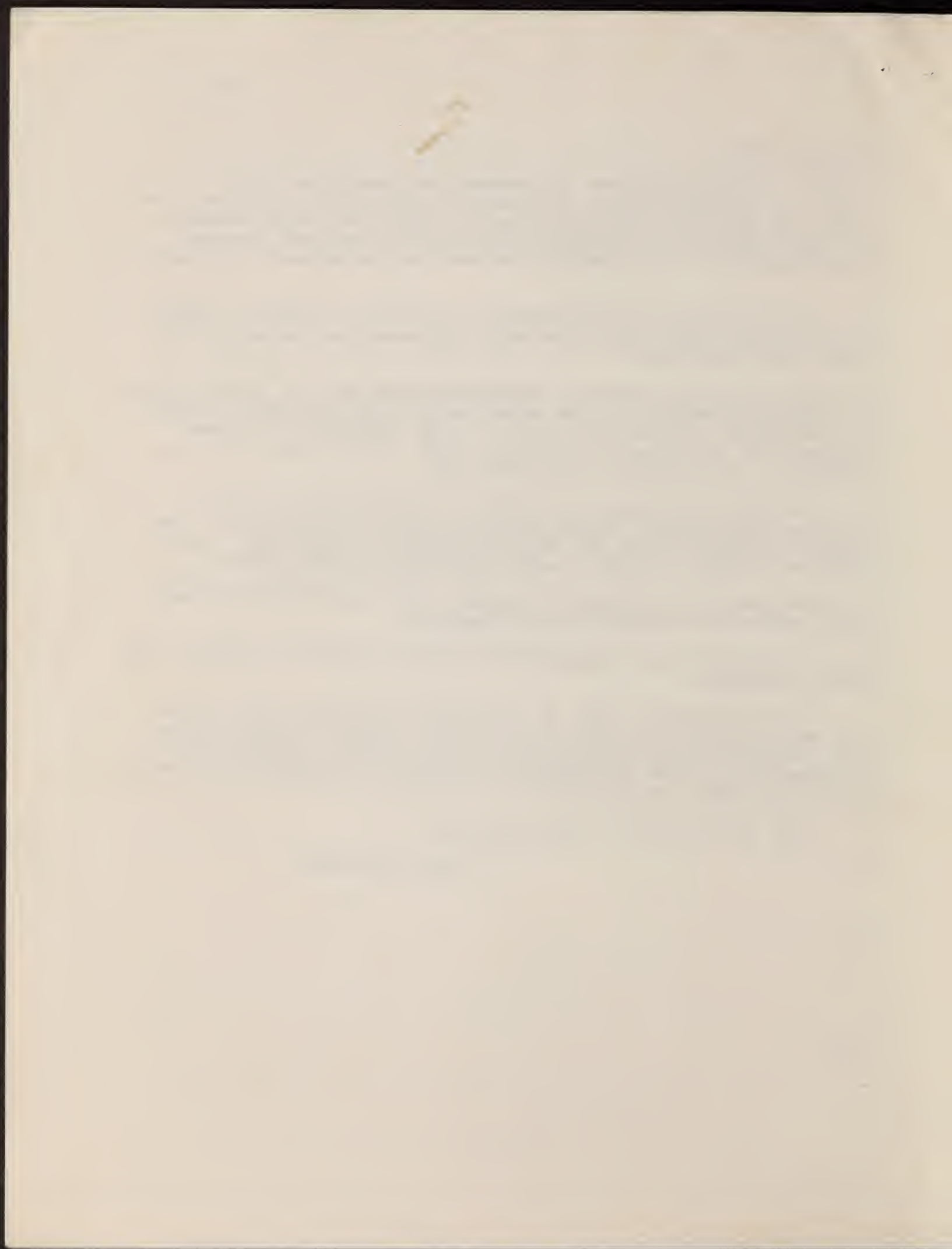
I am open to any suggestions on how to proceed to answer the above questions.

I am enclosing a copy of the article on Thomas Brown from the Georgia Historical Quarterly which a friend of mine got for me. The article on "General Robert Howe and the British Capture of Savannah in 1778" is supposed to be on its way and I will send you a copy when I receive it.

Hope to be able to visit you soon.

Yours sincerely,

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PIONEER LIFE ON THE BAY OF QUINTE.

The CHURCH Family.

*This must be Oliver's
Parentage unknown
or parent.*

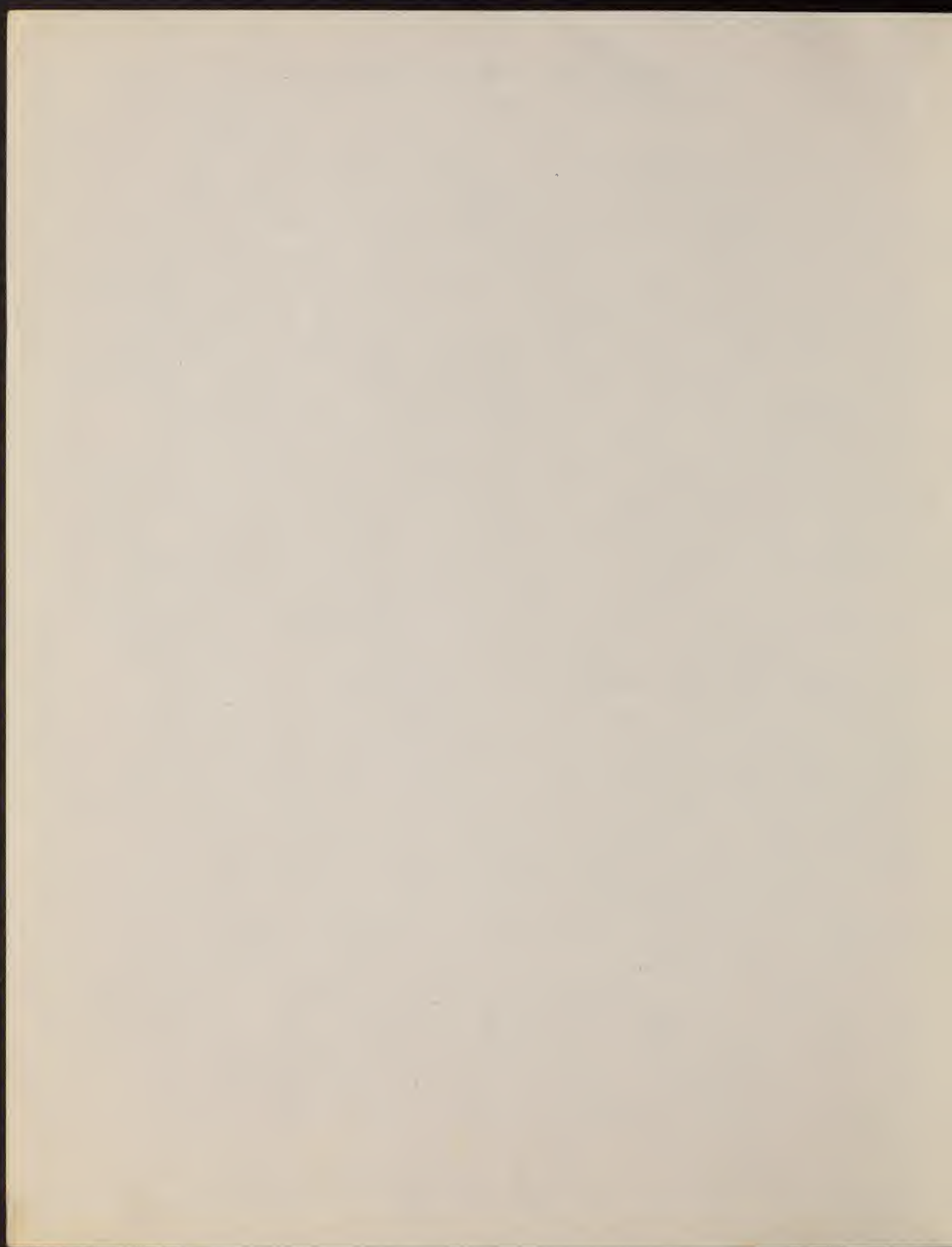
Oliver Church was of English descent, and came to Canada from England in the early part of the last century. He selected about one hundred and fifty acres in Prince Edward County, and with the pluck and determination that characterize his race, launched himself against the perils and difficulties which he knew awaited him in his venture, resolved not to be eclipsed by the sturdy band of U. E. Loyalists who, already acclimated in the southern part of the country, were right manfully struggling around him. Having raised his shanty, and cleared a breathing space, he looked around for some one who might impart to his rude domicile something of the home look that lived in his memory as one of the dearest things he had known in England. He had not far to seek for one well able to stand by his side in the arduous life upon which he had entered. He found her in Mary Clute, the daughter of Garrett Clute, a neighbor settled in the same district. Richard J., one of the pioneer's sons, now resident in Cherry Valley, relates that when the family had outgrown the narrow limits of the shanty, that his mother, with an ability and zeal second only to that of the pioneer himself, helped to erect a log house, which they built, from start to finish, with their own hands.

But this was no sooner ~~finished~~ accomplished, than Oliver Church was called upon to show his manly qualities in a very different sphere of action. It had not been his privilege to support the mother country in the Revolution; but now, when the United States showed themselves desirous of invading Canada, he was one of the first to enlist. He served through the war, which began in 1812, to its close, in 1814, and so distinguished himself as to rise from the ranks to be captain of his company. At the close of the war, he took over a hotel in Picton, and was popular as a landlord. The building in which he played the part of Boniface, at a time when there were many turbulent spirits around, was standing up to five or six years ago. It occupied a site on Main Street, nearly opposite a ~~side on~~ the present railway station. A man of remarkable physical strength, and determined to keep a ~~respectable~~ reputable, orderly house, his decision of character, and even his physical prowess, contributed to this end.

After this experience as hotel landlord, at Picton, he returned to farming and located at South Bay, on a holding now occupied by Archibald Church, one of his descendants. Here he lived for a number of years, when he reverted to his former occupation of hotel keeping, this time in North Marysburgh, where he kept what was known as 'The White Horse' for seven or eight years, and where he proved himself to be a very popular landlord. His military ardor was stirred anew in connection with the troubles of '37 and '38, during which time he rendered the government important service; his hotel was frequently the head quarters of that section of the army whose duty it was to defend this part of the coast. The light horse cavalry were continually on the move between Picton and Oliver Church's hotel, where the pioneer acted the part of scout, and often supplied valuable information in regard to the shipping interests of the Government, then seriously menaced by the rebels.

And now he gave up, for the second time, his occupation of hotelkeeper and returned to farming. Two or three years more farming, and we find him the landlord of the hotel at Stone Mill. Inn keeping was no longer an experiment with Oliver Church; he was prepared to find himself the popular host, and as such he was known at Stone Mill for five or six years. But what with settling and farming and soldiering he had drawn heavily even on his extraordinary endowment of physical strength and he preferred to close his life, as he had begun it in this country, and died a farmer.

The Pioneer had a reputation for staunch and vigorous principle, which only



The CHURCH Family.

increased amid the external vicissitudes of his life. Although for many years a hotelkeeper, he was himself almost an abstainer from alcoholic stimulants, and did what he could to promote sobriety in others. In politics he was an active conservative. Only two of his children are alive at this date; Richard J. and Ellen, who married Daniel Murney, and settled finally in Dresden.

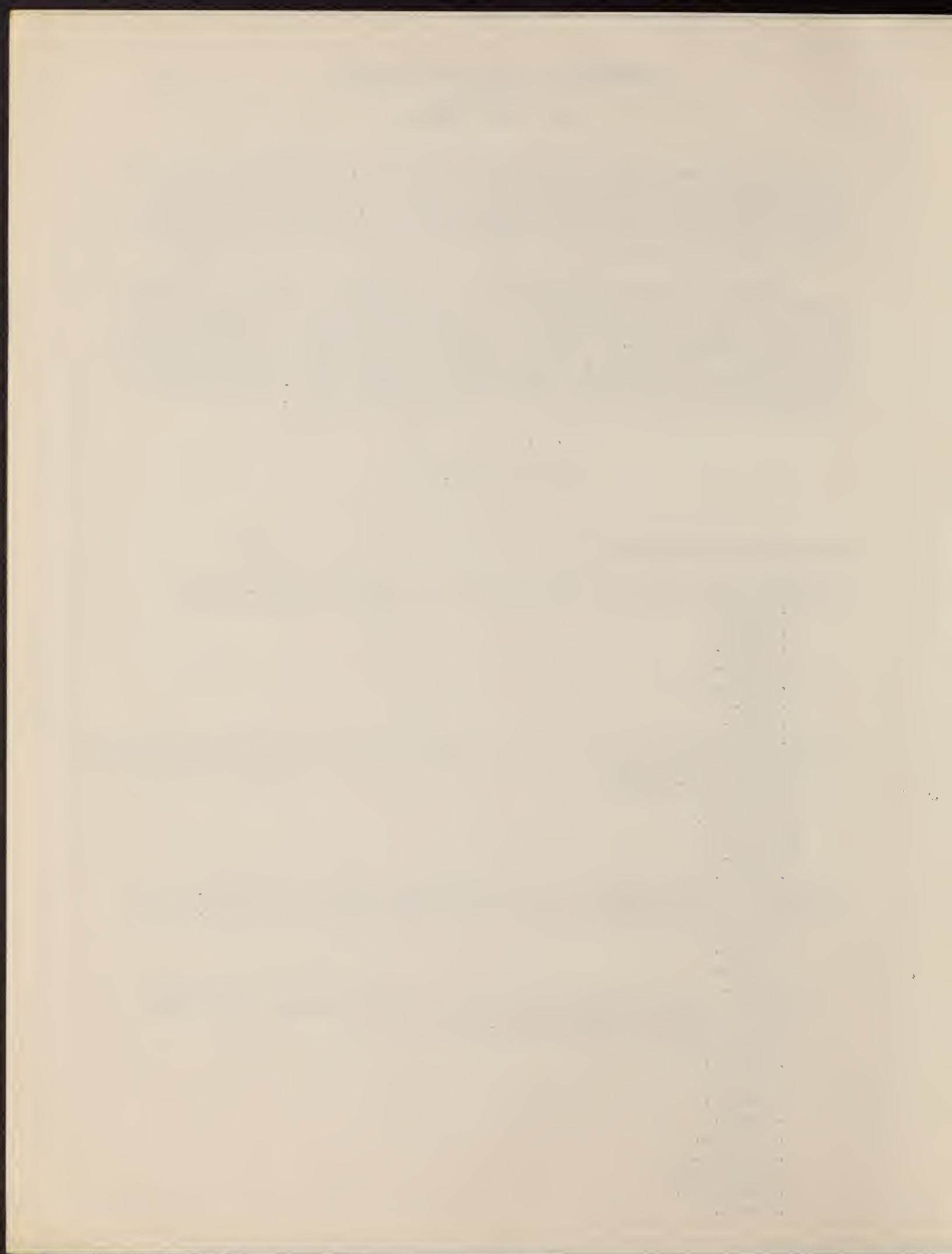
Richard J. Church saw his eighty-second birthday on March 11th, 1904. He resides in Cherry Valley, cultivates a fruit farm with a vigor surprising in a man of his years, and retains the same interest in fishing and sailing as in his younger ~~years~~ days. He has been twice married; first, to Minnie Welbanks, and, second, to Ruth Snider. His two youngest sons, Sylvester and Royal, live on the homestead, and conduct a grist mill and machine shop. They are known throughout the district as enterprising and useful citizens.

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OLIVER CHURCH.

The Children and Grandchildren:

1. John O. Church, married Sarah Dulmage, and settled in Murray. Issue:
 - a. William.
 - b. John.
 - c. Ellen.
 - d. Smith.
 - e. David.
 - f. Ann.
 - g. Jane.
 - h. Mary.
2. Archibald Church, married, 1st, Lydia Monck, and, 2nd, Margaret Lowery; settled on South Bay. Issue:
 - by first,
 - a. William.
 - by second,
 - b. Cook.
 - c. James.
3. William Y. Church, married Ann Cook; settled in Milford. No issue.
4. Margaret Church, married Andrew Minaker; settled North Marysburgh. Issue:
 - a. William.
 - b. Eliza.
 - c. James.
 - d. Mary.
5. Richard J. Church, married, 1st, Millie Welbanks, and, 2nd, Ruth Snider; settled finally in Cherry Valley. Issue:
 - by first wife,
 - a. John O.
 - b. Palen.
 - c. Clarke.
 - d. Anson.
 - e. Sarah A.
 - f. Stanley.
 - by second wife,
 - g. Sylvester.
 - h. Royal.



The CHURCH Family.

6. Ellen Church, married Daniel Murney; settled in North Marysburgh, and finally in Dresden. Issue:
 a. Margaret.

The Grandchildren and Issue:

See 1. The John Ø. CHURCH Branch:

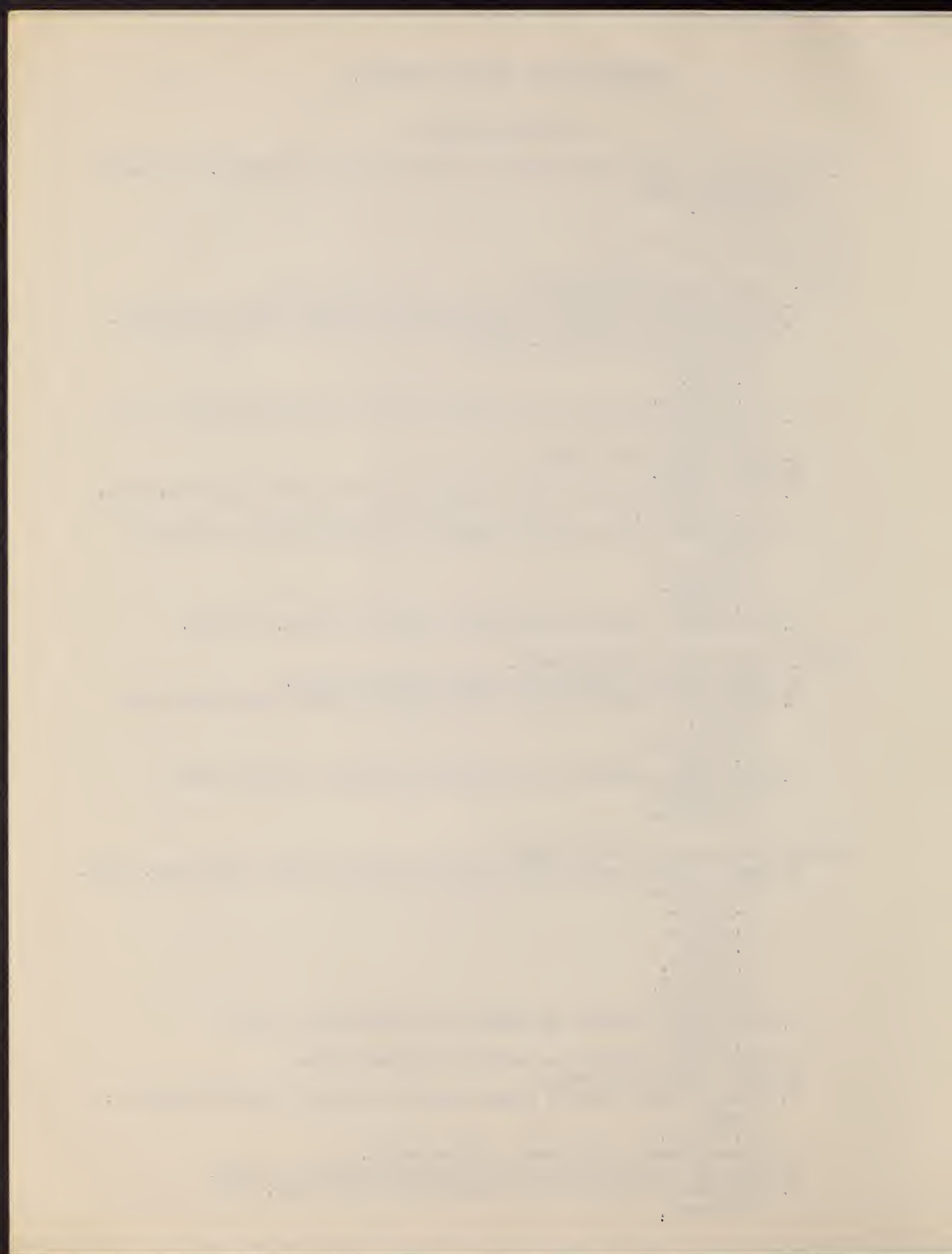
1. William Church, unmarried; settled in North Marysburgh.
2. John Church, married, 1st, Martha Wilmur, and, 2nd, Sarah Isaacs; settled in South Marysburgh. Issue:
 - a. Hester.
 - b. Jane.
 - c. William.
3. Ellen Church, married Jesse Minaker; settled in South Marysburgh. Issue:
 - a. John E.
4. Smith Church, died young.
5. David Church.
6. Ann M. Church, married Henry Preston; settled in South Marysburgh. Issue:
 - a. Cynthia J.
7. Jane Church, married Wesley Farrington; settled in South Marysburgh. Issue:
 - a. David J.
 - b. Samuel.
 - c. Lewis.
8. Mary Church, married David Sevier; settled in Murray. No issue.

See 2. The Archibald CHURCH Family.

1. William Church, unmarried; settled in United States.
2. Cook Church, married Minnie Clark; settled in South Marysburgh. Issue:
 - a. Ida.
 - b. Archibald.
 - c. Nina.
3. James Church, married Belle McStevens; settled in Picton; Issue:
 - a. Gladys.
 - b. Lillian.

See 5. The Richard Y. CHURCH Family.

1. John O. Church, married Ellen Collier; settled in South Marysburgh. Issue.
 - a. Russell.
 - b. Anson.
 - c. Helen.
 - d. Emma.
 - e. Carrie.
 - f. Addie B.
 - g. Arnold.
2. Palen Church, married and settled in United States. Issue:
 - a. Briton.
3. Clark Church, married and settled in United States.
4. Anson Church, died young.
5. Sarah A. Church, married Spencer Rorabeck; settled in South Marysburgh. Issue:
 - a. Bertha.
6. Stanley Church, died young in United States.
7. Sylvester Church, married Edna Heartgrove; settled in Athol.
8. Royal Church, married Helen Hudgins; settled in Athol. Issue:
 - a. Curtis.



The Church Family.

The Bongard Family.

Arthur Bongard, son of James J. Bongard and Isabella Ostrander, and grandson of Conrad Bongard, U. E., and a widow named Carr, married a Miss Church, and lived on South Bay. ?

Frederick Bongard, brother of above, also resides on South Bay, and also married a Miss Church, of the famous old pioneer Church family. ?

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The Paul Clark Family.

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Thomas C. CHURCH, married Mima Clark, and settled in South Marysburgh. She was a daughter of Palen Clark and Gertrude Minaker, and granddaughter of Paul Clark and Mehetabel, third daughter of Gilbert Palen. Issue:

1. Ida.
2. Archibald.
3. Nina.

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The Minaker Family.

Ellen CHURCH, married Jesse Minaker, and settled in South Marysburgh. He was a son of Andrew Minaker and Phoebe A. Ostrander, and ^{grand}grandson of John Minaker. He was son of John Minaker and Phoebe Van Cleft. ^{great}

Margaret Church, married Andrew Minaker, uncle of Jesse Minaker, above. They settled in South Marysburgh. Issue:

1. William.
2. Eliza.
3. James.
4. Mary.

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The Solmes Family.

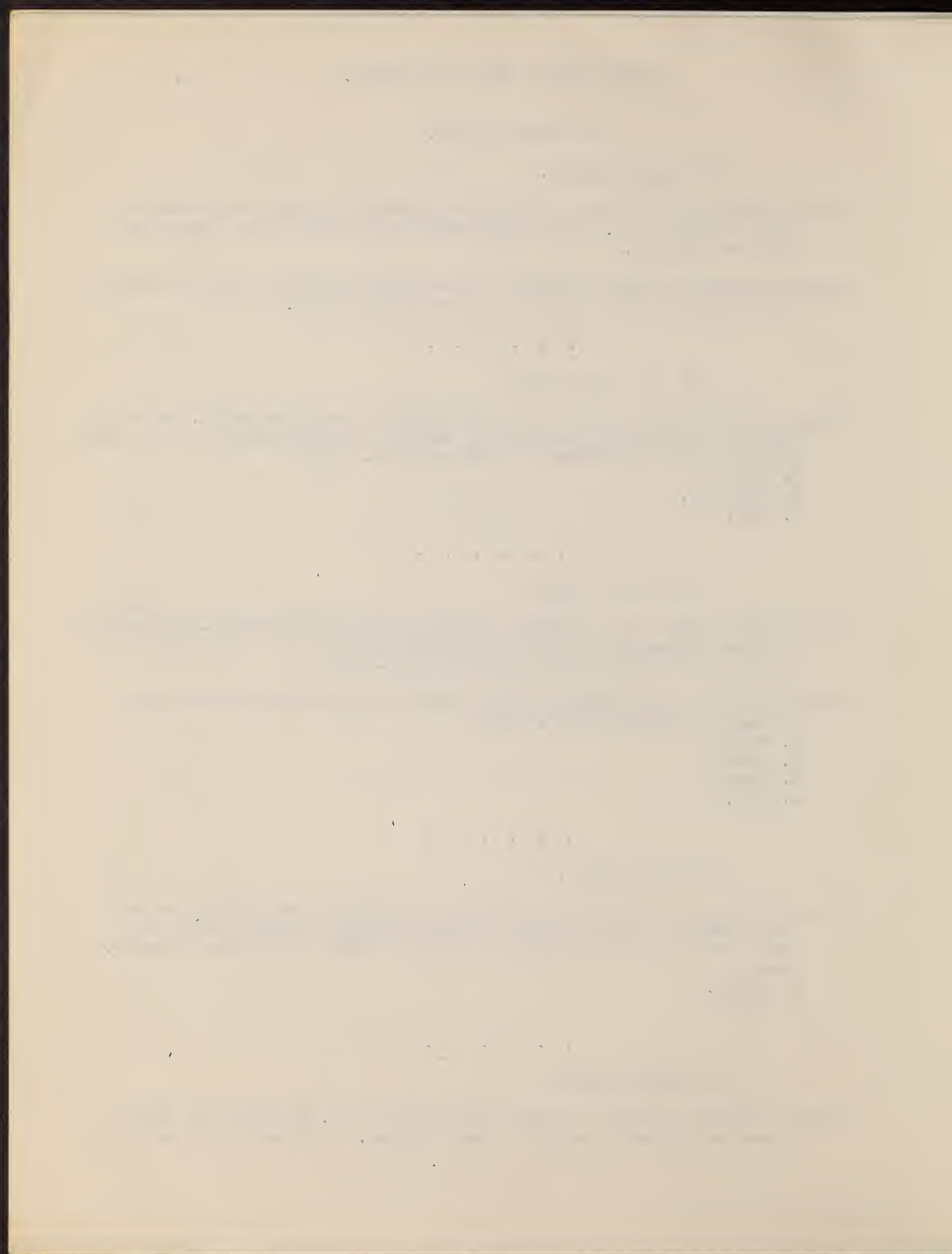
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Florence Church, married Reuben C. Solmes, and settled in Sophiasburgh. He was son of David B. Solmes and Susan Lazier, grandson of Richard Solmes and Lydia Cronk, and great-grandson of Nathaniel Solmes and Elizabeth Conklin. Issue:

1. Reggie.
2. Marion.

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The Dorland Family.

Peter V. Dorland, married, as second wife, Ellen Church. He was son of Captain Thomas Dorland, and grandson of Samuel Dorland. No issue by this marriage.



Cemeteries.

Sandhurst Anglican Church.

John Church, Esq., died Oct. 18, 1853, aged 68 years, 4 months, 5 days. (b. 13.6.1785)
Mary, his wife, born Mar. 13, 1790; died Dec. 1, 1833, aged 43 years, 8 months,
18 days. (ne Nash) Erected by his son, William.
Julia Margaret Church, their daughter, born Apr. 20, 1819; died Feb. 14, 1830.
Hazelton Spencer Oliver Church, their son, born June 2, 1811; died June 22, 1831.
David Church, died Feb. 28, 1835, aged 19 years, 9 months, 15 days. Erected by
his brother, William.
John Raglan, son of W. & P. A. Church, died May 1, 1856, aged 1 year, 5 days.
Allan, 2nd son of James and Jane Chamberlain.
William Church, died May 25, 1858, aged 32 years.

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Adolphustown Anglican Church.

Eleanor Church, wife of Peter V. Dorland, died Dec. 3, 1809, aged 25 years.

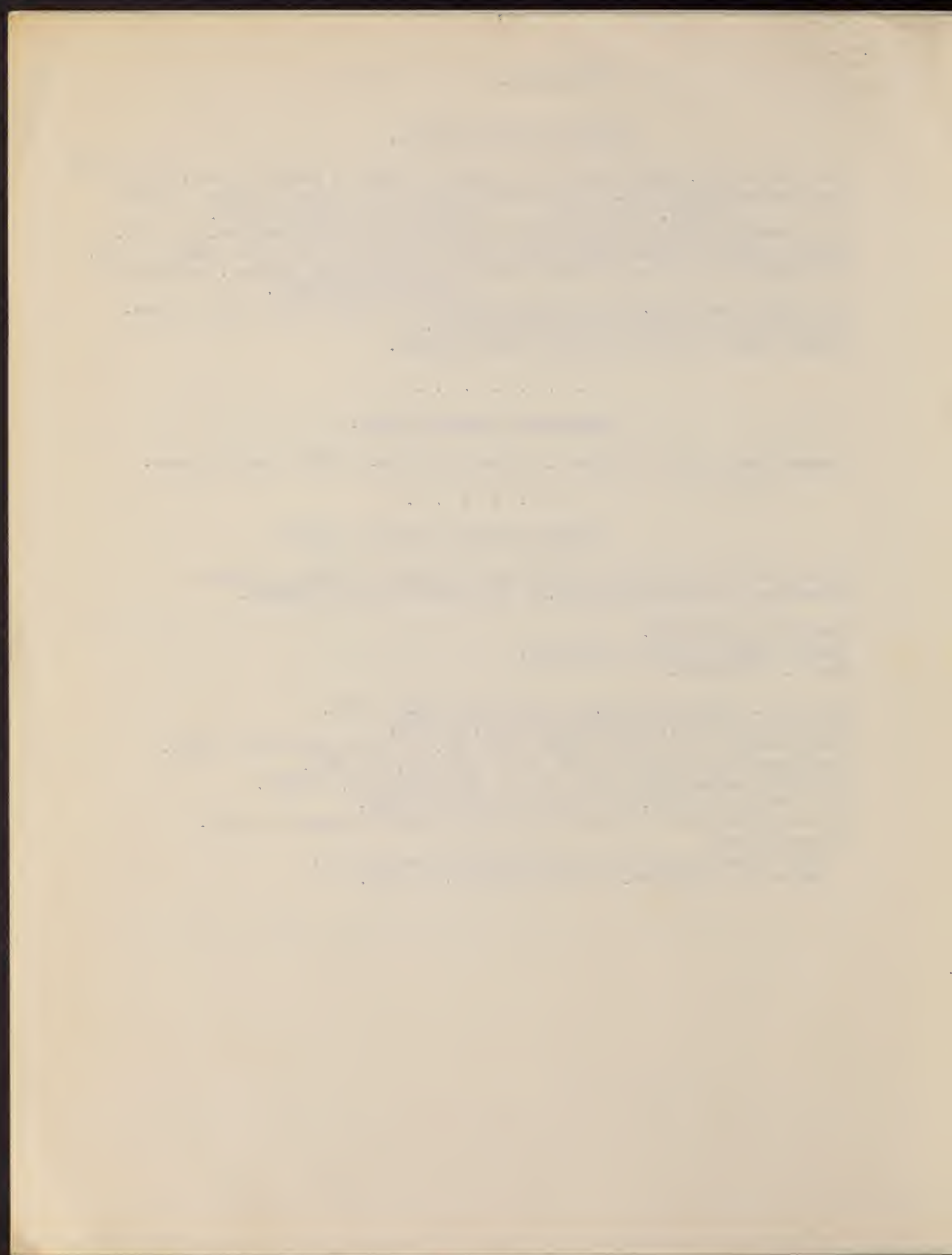
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Sandhurst Anglican Church (cont'd)

Duncan McKenzie, died July 9, 1859, aged 76 years, 2 months, 10 days.
Elizabeth, his relict, died Oct. 6, 1861, aged 78 years (Church).

George Ham, 1812-1899.
Eleanor Pruyn, his wife, 1823-1909.
Jane E., 1854-1927.

William T. Pruyn, born Apr. 11, 1787; died Aug. 3, 1827.
Mary Pruyn, b. Sept. 24, 1786; died Oct. 1, 1853.
Martha Pruyn, wife of John Finkle, born Jan. 14, 1808; died July 4, 1846.
Jane Maria Pruyn, born Dec. 20, 1811; died Jan. 24, 1829.
Elizabeth Margaret Pruyn, born Oct. 3, 1821; died Apr. 8, 1835.
O. T. Pruyn, born Nov. 18, 1816; died Apr. 18, 1895.
Elizabeth Rickerson, his wife, born July 8, 1819; died June 23, 1901.
Their children:
Mary Elizabeth, born June 20, 1845; died Mar. 17, 1846.
Jemima Jane, born Nov. 9, 1847; died Jan. 3, 1852.



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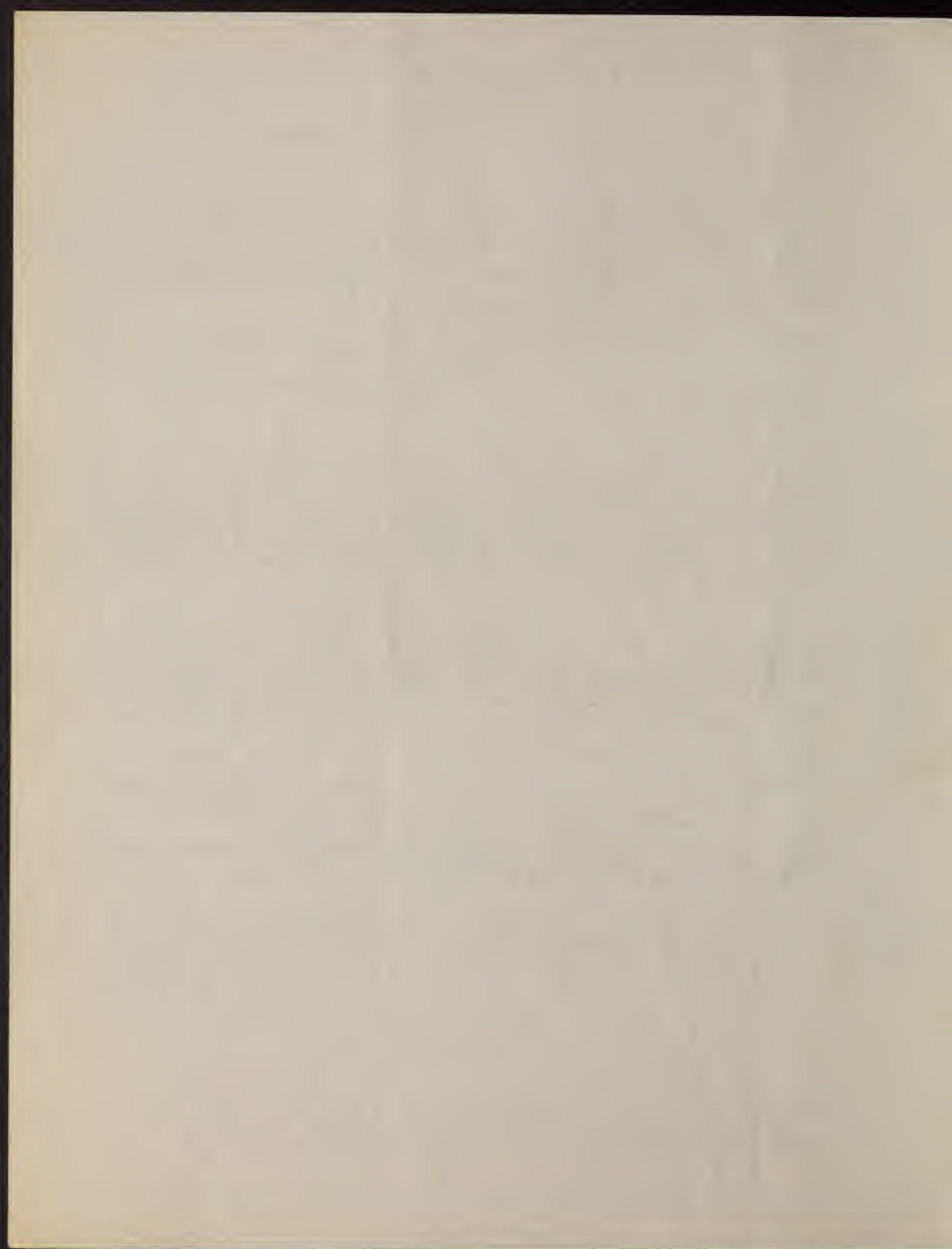
Dear Dr. Burlingame:

Thank you very much for your letter of February 26 on the Church family and others.

I have the list of Jonathan Mills Church's children whom you mention, also lists of many of their descendants. I lack children of the first three, namely (1) Sarahannah, b. 2-25-1787, mar. bef. March 1806 Samuel Brooker, (2) Hannah, b. 1-14-1790, mar. bef. Dec 1806 Abel Newman, and (3) Daniel John, b. 7-17-1791, d. after Oct. 1835, mar. Sarah Helsey; all of Elizabethtown. I have the family Bible entries of Jonathan Mills Church Jr (1794-1843) and a copy of those of his father (1760-1846) who was buried near here at Aylmer, Que.

My Church record from the History of Hadley Mass. goes only to the emigrant Richard Church (1610-1667), said elsewhere to be a son of Richard of Braintree, Essex. I certainly would appreciate having a reference to the book in which you found the earlier family in the State Library at Albany, in case I ever get there. Another mention of the Churches at Brattleboro is in the Vermont Gazetteer, vol. 5, p. 23, where the brothers Malachi and Jonathan are among the signers of a 1770 Brattleboro petition to obtain a minister; also Rowland Robinson's 1893 "Vermont, A Study of Independence" at pp 238-240 mentions activities of Timothy as a New York adherent.

I do not know of any connection between my Browns and Mrs Bonham's Abraham Brown. Mine were in Connecticut for several generations before the Revolution and included my Captain Wessiah Brown (1733-1777) who died at Manhattan Island with the Prince of Wales American Regiment, his widow who came to New Brunswick and three sons who came later to Upper Canada. However I have copied some of Abraham Brown's land petitions for Miss Frances C. Judson, 25 Victoria Ave., Brockville, a descendant, and I am sure she and



her father Dr Arthur W. Judson would like to exchange information with Mrs Bonham.

Abraham with his wife Katrina Van Amburg went with 4 ch. to the Bay of Chaleur in 1784 before coming to Upper Canada, where he lived on Major Edward Jessup's farm in Augusta before settling in Elizabethtown. He had served in Major Edward Jessup's Loyal Rangers. With a wife and one child he was among Loyalists lodged at Machiche December 2, 1778. He made Upper Canada land petitions of 1798, 1800 and 1810 and his children's, of Elizabethtown, include Edward's of 1800, Benjamin's of 1802 and Henry's of 1808. The Judsons can tell Mrs Bonham more than I but I will be glad to hear from her if I can help, particularly since I am interested in the Howard family of Elizabethtown and know very little about it.

I suppose I should hesitate to do any begging for Howard family data on the strength of getting my first name from them, since I am not related. You might like to tell Mrs Bonham, or show her this letter to let her know, that for some few years after the War of 1812 my Jonah Brown, 1767-1851 (until he became a determined victim of the laws of imprisonment for debt) was the joint owner with Peter Howard (Dr Peter Howard, M.D., father of Matthew M. Howard M.R.A.?) of Howard & Brown's Mills in Yonge, afterwards the Lambert of Beale's Mills. Also Dr Peter Howard Church (1805-1875), pioneer physician of Cayuga and father of a family of some interest in medical and political fields, was named for his uncle Dr Peter Howard, Dr Howard's wife Sarah and Dr P. H. Church's mother Mary both being daughters of Moses Munsell who was killed while on his way to Canada with his family during the revolution.

Sincerely,

Howard M Brown

The first part of the paper is devoted to a general
 consideration of the subject, and to a statement of the
 objects of the present inquiry. It is then divided into
 three parts, the first of which is devoted to a
 description of the various species of the genus
 which have been hitherto described. The second
 part is devoted to a description of the various
 species which have been discovered since the
 publication of the last edition of the work. The
 third part is devoted to a description of the
 various species which have been discovered since
 the publication of the last edition of the work.

G. G. G.

26 Feb., 1961.

Mr. Howard M. Brown,
23 Crescent Heights,
Ottawa 1, Ont.

Dear sir:

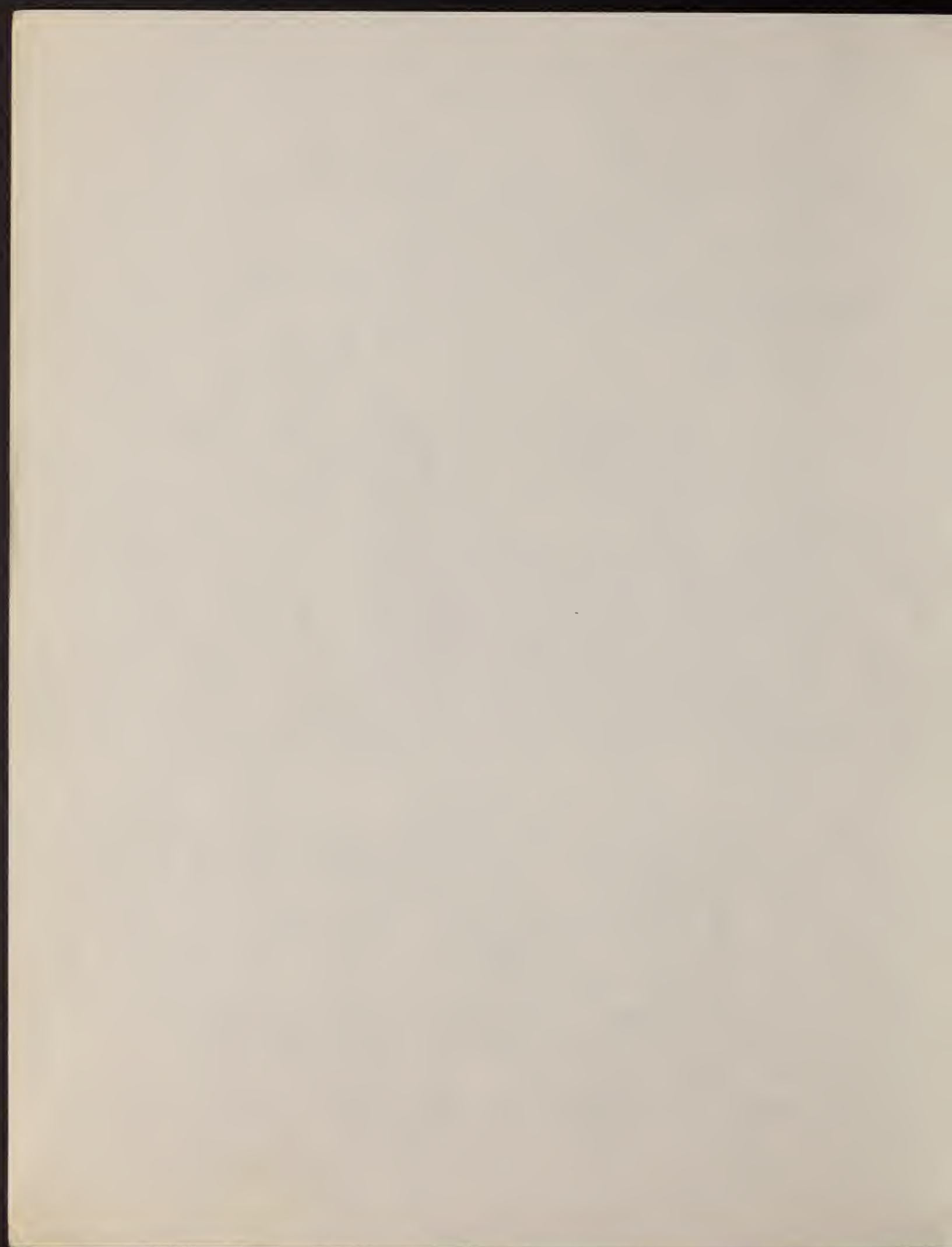
You are fortunate indeed. I put your letter in my Church file. It became covered by other files, and it was only when I was filing a group that your letter fell out. My excuse is that, besides my way of earning a living, I am dabbling in a host of things.

However, here is my response to your letter, remembering your help with Brown data.

1. I know nothing of the ancestors of the wife of Malachi Church. She is listed as Elizabeth Miller, but this must mean Mills. Seeing that she named one son, Jonathan Mills, I assume that her father was Jonathan Mills.
2. I cannot help you with the ancestors of Claramanda De Wolfe, except that the name does not seem to be Loyalist.
3. I am in the dark regarding the ancestors of the Johns family beyond what you have supplied. The Vermont State Papers show that the estate of Solomon Johns, of Clarendon Town, was confiscated by the Court of Confiscation, April 23, 1778, and that he is mentioned in "An Act to prevent the return to this State of Certain Persons therein named who have left this State, or either of the United States, and joined the Enemies thereof," passed 26 Feb., 1779, and repealed 3 Nov., 1780. His name also appears in "A List of those Persons' Names that Forfeited their Estates." Oliver Church, of Brattleboro, is also mentioned in the former act, but not in the latter. The "Annals of Brattleboro," vol. 1, mentions Jonathan, Timothy, Nathaniel and David Church as being residents.
4. I know nothing of the Bigelows.
5. I believe that I was in error when I gave vol. B-126, Maldimund Papers, as the source of data about Mrs. Sarah McGinnis. It should have been vol. B-127, wherein is found "A Return of Loyalists at Carleton Island, 26 Nov., 1783. Sorry for this mistake.
5. I do not know if you have a complete list of Jonathan Church's children. I have some details on them, namely: Hannah, Daniel Johns, Jonathan Mills, Sisannah, Jerusha, Sarah, Basil R., Hiram Turner Munsell, Peter Howard, Benjamin Ruggles, Horatio Nelson, Hiram Turner and Emily.
6. I also copied the skeleton of the Church generations from a book of the Church Family which I found in the State Library at Albany, N. Y. The first begins in 1335. I presume that you have seen it. If not, let me know.

A Mrs. Bonham, a neighbor of mine, is a descendant of Abraham Brown, U. E. Do you belong to this family? She was a Miss Howard, and came from the Brockville area. Maybe you can help her, or she, you.

If I can help, call on me. Sincerely,



23 Crescent Heights, Ottawa 1.
February 3, 1961.

Dear Mr. Burlingh:

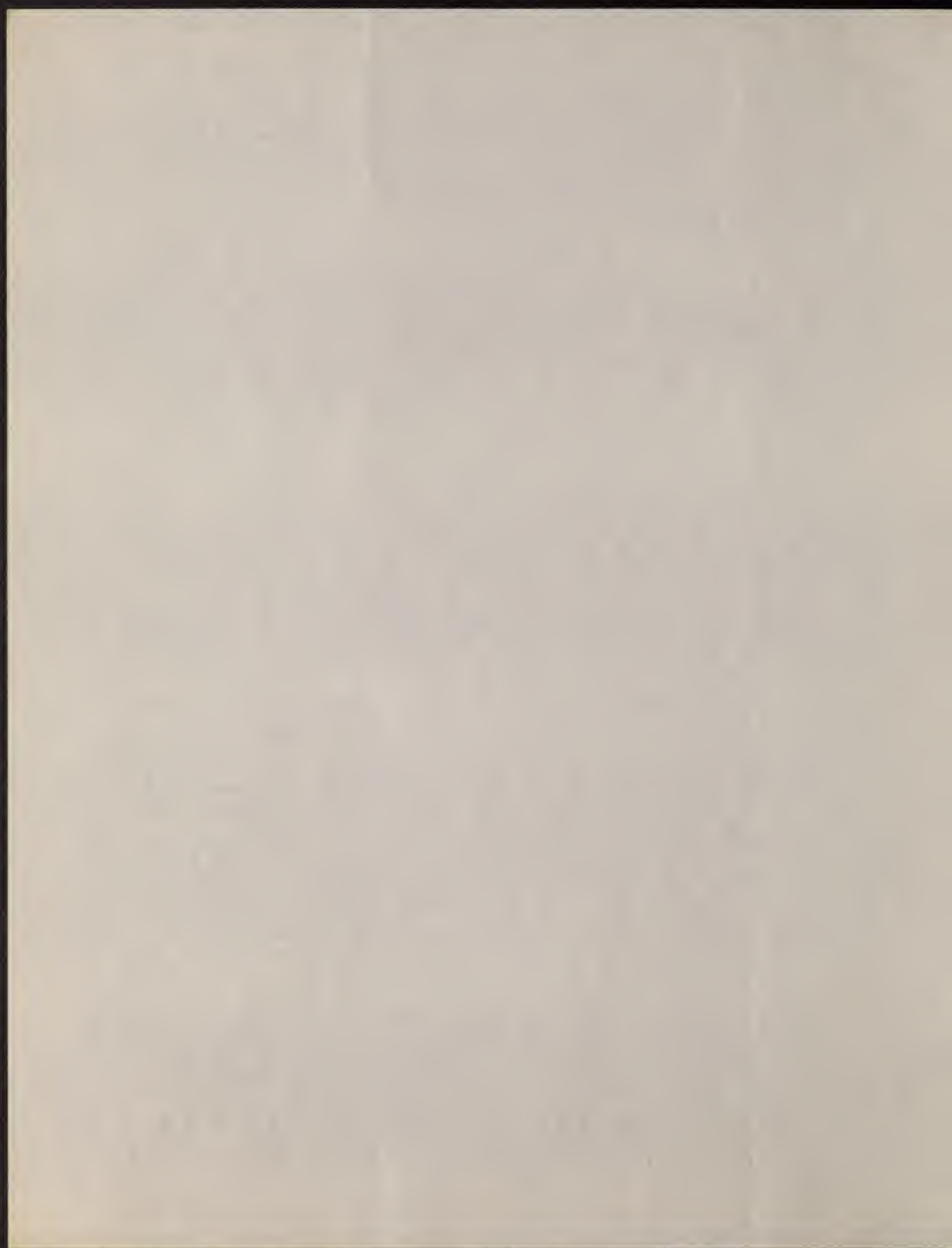
That kind offer you made to me in your letter of February 20 last, combined with a letter Mr. Claude Young of Wellington sent to me last fall which seemed to suggest you were loaded with Church family data that you had got while in Albany, finally has tempted me to ask you what you may have on Malachi Church's wife and her ancestors. In case you may have any readily accessible references to any of the following three other family topics on which I have done some unsuccessful searching I am also adding notes on them with some hesitation, and I do not expect you to give them too much consideration.

- + Aug. 1961
1. Ancestors of wife of Malachi Church (1732-1777), also particulars of his children other than Oliver (1756?-1812?) and Jonathan Mills (1760-1846).

(A Church gen. in Judd's 1905 Hist. of Hadley, Mass. says Malachi mar. April 30, 1756 Elizabeth Miller. A Boston Transcript inquiry of Sept 18, 1935 calls her Elizabeth Mills, says 2 ch. were Malachi Jr. b. 1769, mar. Lucy Blakeslee, and Oliver "b. 1754, lived in Fairhaven Vt., & d. 1826". J. Mills Church, who 1st mar. Jerusha Johns in 1786, and whose June 23, 1800 petition mentions "his mother and five children which he had charge of from their infancy after the decease of his Father", is shown in return of those settled in Township No 3. Cataragui 1784 as with 1 woman, 2 male ch. above 10 yrs & 1 female ch. above 10 yrs, at Cataragui).

- not
2. Ancestors of Claramanda De Wolfe, b. N. Can. Sept 6, 1805, d. Leeds Co. Sept 20, 1896, mar. as 2nd wife Jan 10, 1830 Jonathan Mills Church Jr. (1794-1843), both bur. near Addison, Leeds Co., Ont.

(Samuel De Wolfe came 1790 from N. Y. to Leeds Co., d. Kitley, Leeds, 1824-25. According to data obtained last year through a



Hartford Times inquiry, a baptismal record shows he had ch. by wife Elizabeth [Nolly? Nollot?] including Bethuel b. abt. 1776, Peter b. abt 1778, Sarah b. 1780 and Lucy b. abt. 1782. A bookman Ogden Utah library says Samuel and Bethuel went to Upper Canada and Peter and one Joseph to Ohio.

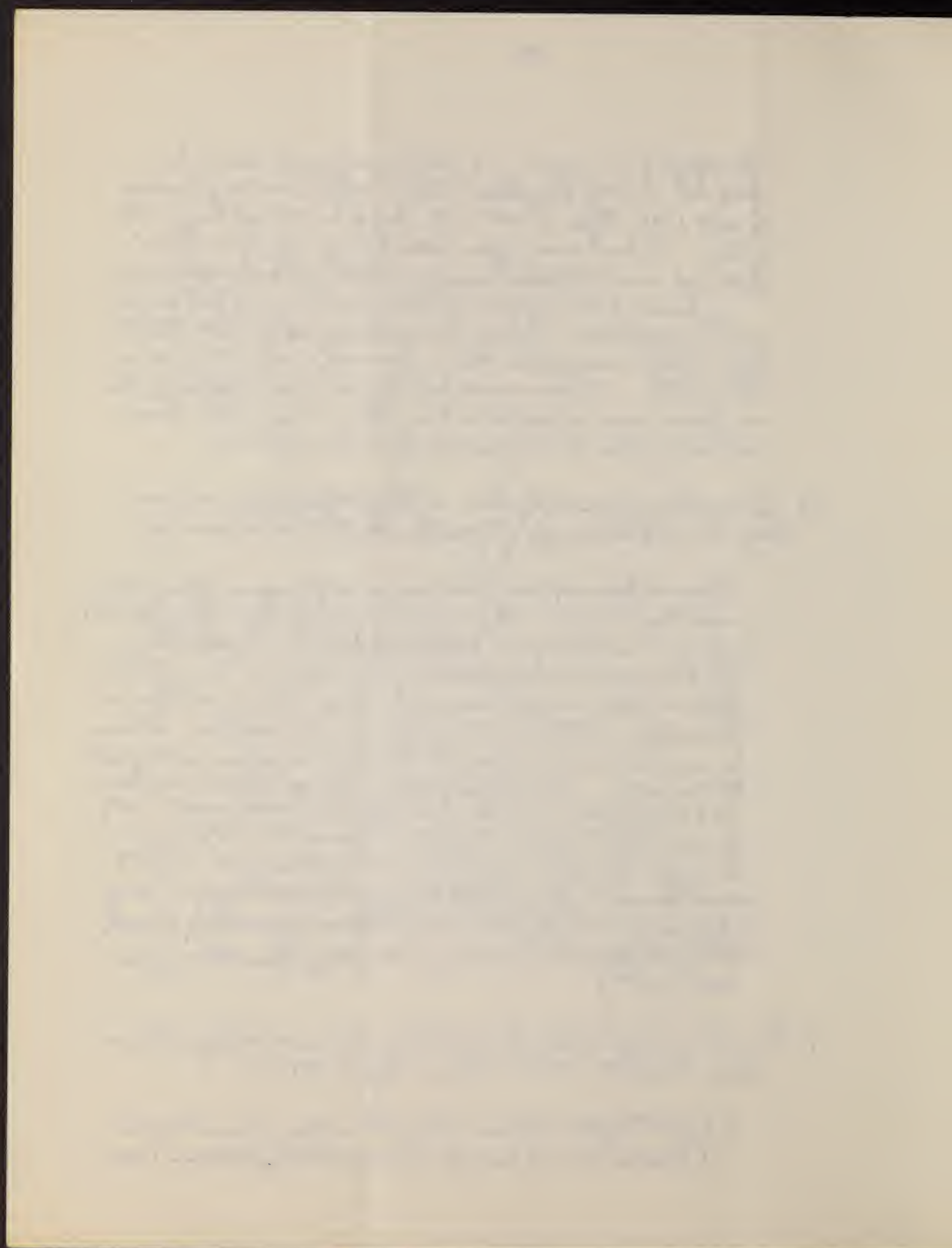
Sarah, b. Chenango Co. N.Y., May 28. 1780, mar. Joel Parish in Elizabethtown, she reg. Samuel's 1824 will at Brocksville Oct 3 1825, will missing there now. Samuel's wife in 1812 was one Elizabeth. Charamanda probably was a dau. of Bethuel, who may have lived in Middlesex Co. and later in Leeds, where known records of other DeWolfs start before the War of 1812.)

3. Ancestors of Jerusha Johns, d. Elizabethtown July 1, 1795, mar. May 22. 1786 as 1st wife of Jonathan Mills Church (1760-1846).

(Jerusha Johns appears to have been a dau. of Benjamin Johns [will dated May 11, 1787, d. 1787] and sister of Lieut Solomon Johns [d. 1785] and of Daniel Johns [d. prob. before 1803], all of Elizabethtown. There are various land petitions of the widow and 3 sons of Lieut. Solomon Johns, namely Susannah, David, Solomon and Daniel. The widow went to Vermont and later came to Ernestown. Solomon Jr. mar. Maria, dau. of Henry Finkle & Co. of Ernestown and removed to Kingston. On a land petition of Daniel Johns he read Nov 6 1797 is endorsed "Father in law of Col. Breakenridge". In the course of conflicting claims to a lot in Elizabethtown [lot 7, cont. 5] a Surveyor General's report of Nov 6. 1809 states in part "The lot 7 was allowed to Nancy Breakenridge, Hulda Vaughan, Nancy Day and Daniel Johns Church [eldest son of Jerusha] by the 34th claim of the Johnston Commission in 1802, Benjⁿ Johns the original nominee.")

4. Ancestors of Lydia Bigelow b. N. Can. 1799, mar. abt 1824 James Brown. He b. Leeds Co. 1799, both bur. Elgin Ont 1874.

(Lydia Bigelow appears to have been a dau. of Jesse Bigelow, d. Leeds Co 1802-03, came from Vermont to Elizabethtown 1790,



mar. Thankful — abt 1794; she mar. Dr. Silas Gilbert, bef. Dec. 1804, they later of Dundas Co., she d. after 1853. Other ch. of Jesse Bigelow included Cyrus, the eldest son, b. abt 1796, living Williamsburg tworp, Dundas Co. in 1871, and apparently Jamson Bigelow who mar. in Yonge tworp. Leeds Co April 29, 1832 Joshua Bates, witness Ezra Bates.)

A question I have been wanting to ask you is regarding a reference in your account of the adventures of Mrs Sarah West Mc Ginnis (Ont Hist Soc Vol 42) where you say at page 91, as I have copied it: "A census of Loyalist refugees in Canada (Haldimand Papers B126, p. 92) taken in November 1783 lists her and her granddaughter, with two negro slaves, as residing at Carleton Island." These pages 92 & 95 of that volume of the Ottawa Archives transcript noted as a "Roll of Loyalists at and in the Dependences of Cataraugus..." dated Dec. 4 1793, including Jeremiah Church age 18 years and Elizabeth Church age 5 months but not Mrs Mc Ginnis according to my examination, which may not have been careful enough. As I hoped to see who else might have been shown at Carleton Island I wondered whether you could tell me at this late date if B126, page 92 was the correct reference.

While making a collection of references to Oliver Church from the Haldimand Papers last spring I watched for but found nothing further on John Richards except that no doubt you will know whether he is the "Mr Richie" shown as formerly of the Indian Department in the October 6, 1784 nominal roll of persons settled in Fredericksburg township, where he is recorded with 1 woman, 2 male children over 10, one female child under 10, date of his certificate Sept 23, 1784, and remarks "Woman gone to the States for her property Land not run out".

Sincerely,

Howard M Brown

Jonathan Mills Church born Mary, of Elizabethtown, 11 May 1797, dau of Moses Munsell, d. 3 Dec 1812. O.S. 8 Feb 1808.

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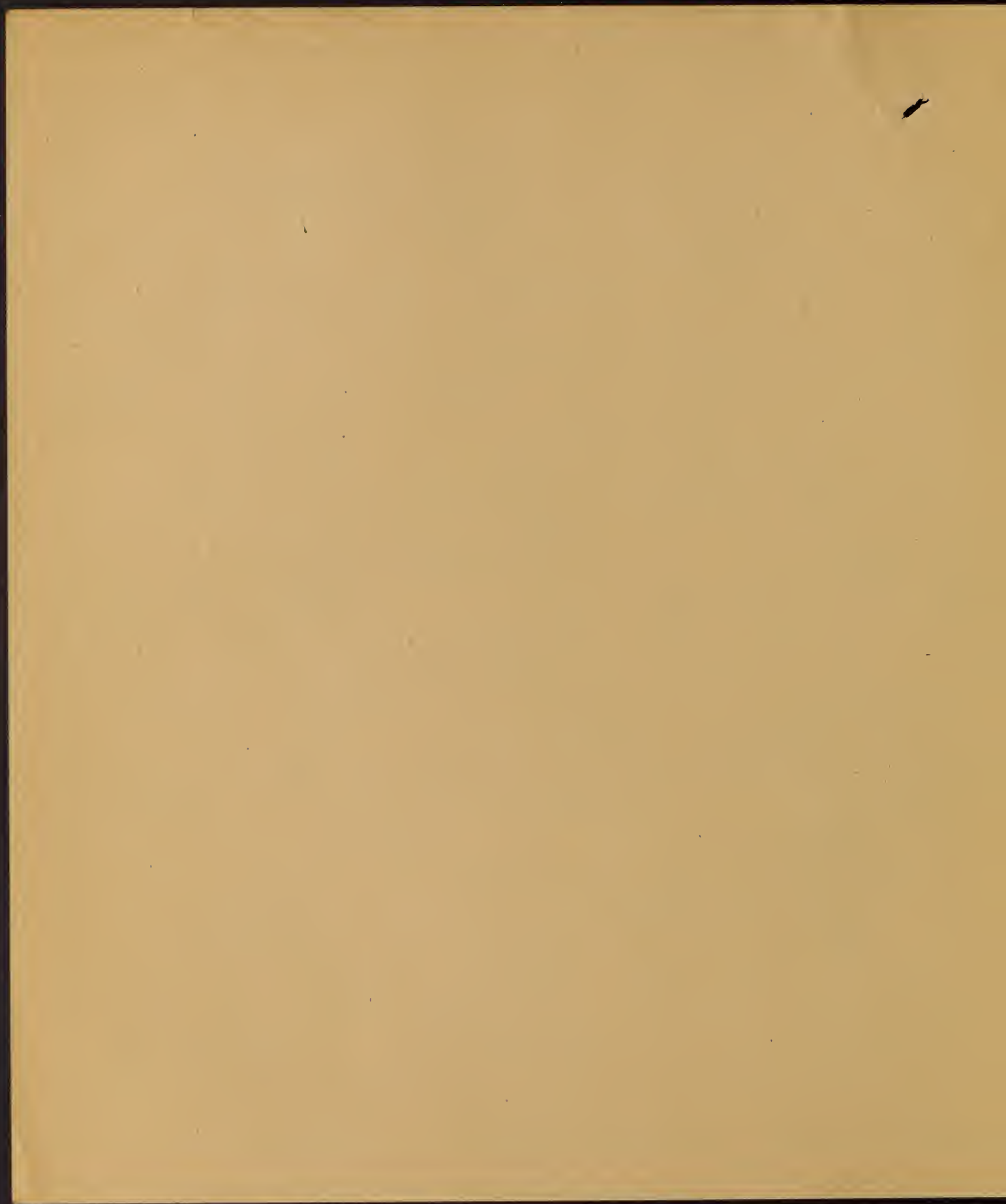
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9.5.1780
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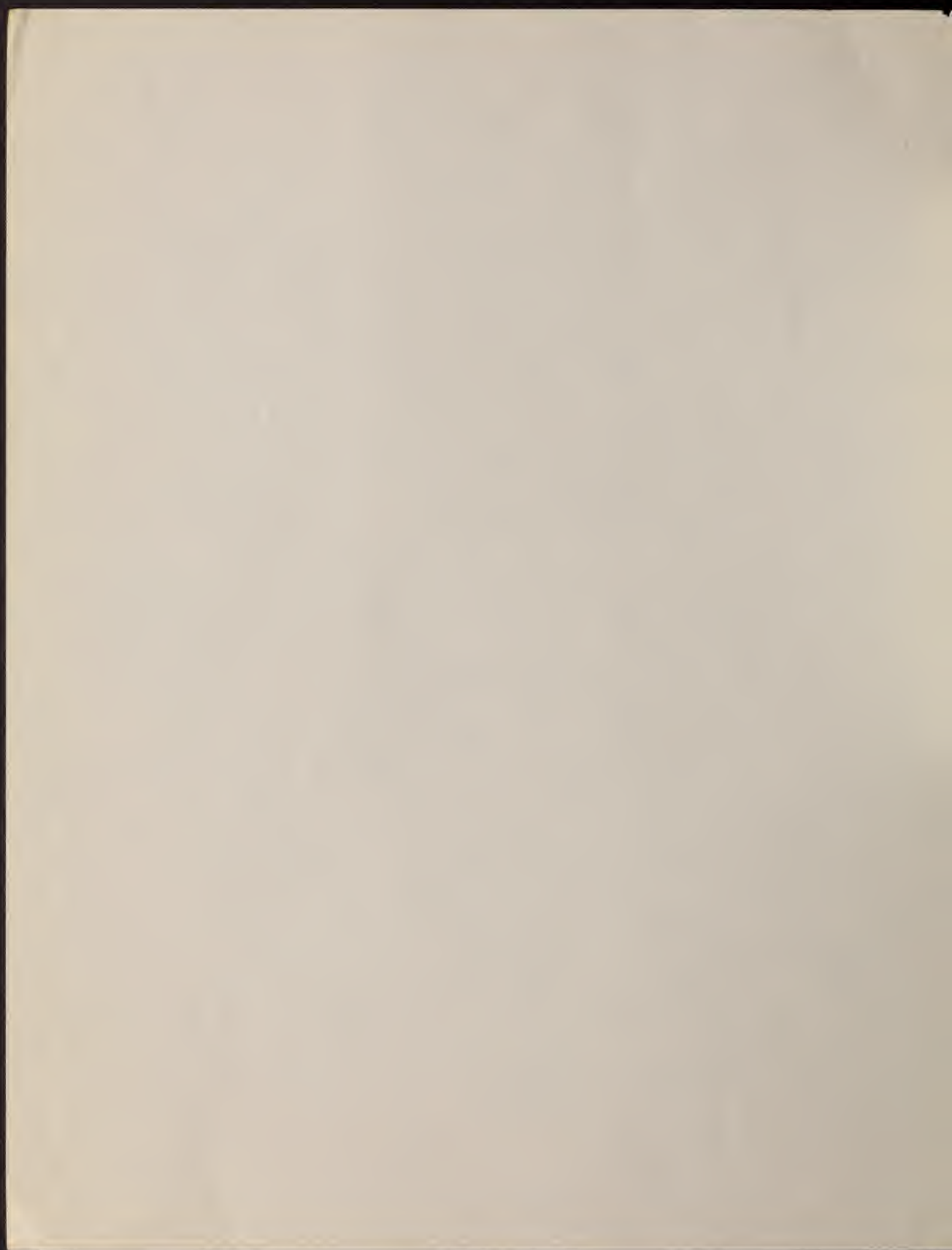
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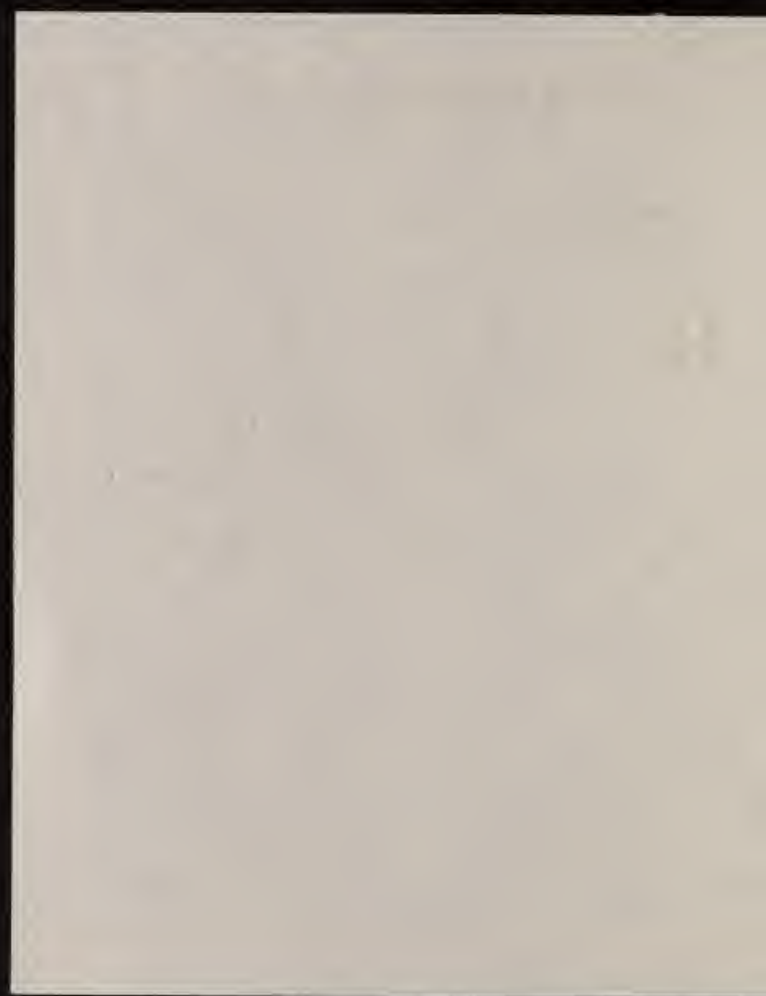


H. C. BURLEIGH, M.D.
BATH, ONT.

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For

R_x Howard M Brown
23 Crescent Heights
Ottawa
Central 2-6628



Church

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Joseph Church a wife no
lands

CANADIAN MEDICAL SERVICE

Date No.

No., Rank and Name

R_y

Signature of M.O.

To be filed at Medical Inspection Room
or Military Hospital.

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Pruyn Genealogy
(Pruyn File)

Church.

Mary Church (born Sept. 24, 1786; died Oct. 1, 1853), dau. of Oliver Church and Jemima Riches, married May 3, 1807 William Thatford Pruyn (Matthew, Harmer, Arent, Frans Janssen) born Apr. 11, 1787, baptized May 6, 1787 at Kinderhook Dutch Church & died Aug 3 & buried Aug. 4, 1827 at St. Paul's, Fredericksburgh.

Children

1. Martha, married John Finkle
2. Jemima, born Apr. 20, 1809; died Oct 15, 1846; married Oct 16, 1835, Henry Finkle. Bapt June 11, 1809.
3. Jane Maria, born Dec. 20, 1811; died Jan. 24, 1829.
4. Oliver Thatford married Elizabeth Rickerson Dorland.
5. Matthew William, married Mary Margaret Kerby.
6. Elizabeth Margaret, born Oct 3, 1821; died April 1834.
7. Eleanor, married George Ham.

Oliver Thatford Pruyn, late Sheriff of Seneca & Addington, and Matthew William, ex-M.P., of Napanee.

Census of 1851

So. Fredericksburgh

John Church, Esq. Farmer	b. C. W.	C. E.	66
Elizabeth ..	N. Y.	Friend	63
William ..			23

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2d K.R.R.N.Y.

Lt. Church, born in America, served 7 years. Farmer

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Roll of Loyalists at Cataraqui 4 Dec 1783

Women

Femina Church 18 yrs 0 months.

Children

Elizabeth Church 0 " 5 "

B. 133

Fort St John Sept 18, 1779

Mr. Church with 4 other Loyalists returned last night from a scout, the particulars of which I have the honor to transmit to your Excellency. Mr. Church further mentions and is very willing to return to Connecticut to procure information.

Fort St. John, Sept. 28, 1779

Mr Church has gone to Sorel (on the way to see Haldimand)

Fort St. John Oct 6, 1779

Obedient to your Excellency's command I have sent off Mr. Church and two other Loyalists to procure the intelligence you wanted.

Fort St. John, May 20, 1780

Mr. Oliver Church arrived yesterday afternoon.

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Roll of NCOs & Men Enlisted in 1st KRRNY since formation
Pls. Clair 17 May 1781
nil.

CANADIAN MEDICAL SERVICES
REPORT OF RADIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION

Reg. No..... Unit.....
Rank..... Corps.....
Name..... Film No.....

Report of Radiological examination of:

Station.....
Unit
Date..... Radiologist

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Casuals of K.R.R.N.Y. to date. Pointe Clair 17 May 1781
Oliver Church end. 25 July 1776 disch. 24 June 1779

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Account of Contingent Expenses by Sir John Johnson in
Sundry Services between 25 June 1778 to 24 Dec 1780

May 8, 1779 To cash to Oliver Church & Party
on a scout to Connecticut River £10.5.9

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Roll of men of 2d K.R.R.N.Y. Indented since 25 Oct 1781
Oliver Church 25 Apr. 1783

List of men Raised for the 2^d Batt., K.R.R.N.Y.
Oliver Church 25 Apr 1783

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Persons Recommended for Promotion in 2^d K.R.R.N.Y.
Ensign Oliver Church Receiving Ensign's Subsistence in
K.R.R.N.Y.

Return of Officers Recommended for Promotion in
the 2^d K.R.R.N.Y.

Ensign Oliver Church Pensioner at £11 per Muster

B.160

Mr. Church is mentioned by Maj. James Rogers,
writing from St. Johns, Que., 27 Mar 1780

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CANADIAN MEDICAL SERVICES
REPORT OF RADIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION

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Church

Settlement of Upper Canada

Oliver Church was Lieutenant in the 84th Regiment. He settled with the many other half-pay officers, on the front of Fredericksburg, three miles west of Bath. He had three sons, and three daughters, who settled upon the Bay, but are now dead, except one daughter. Lieutenant Church died in 1812, and his wife some years later. They were both very old when they died.

A grand-child of the old veteran, Mrs. H. of Belleville informs us that she has often heard about her grandfather having to crush grain by hand, and spending a week going to the Kingston mill.

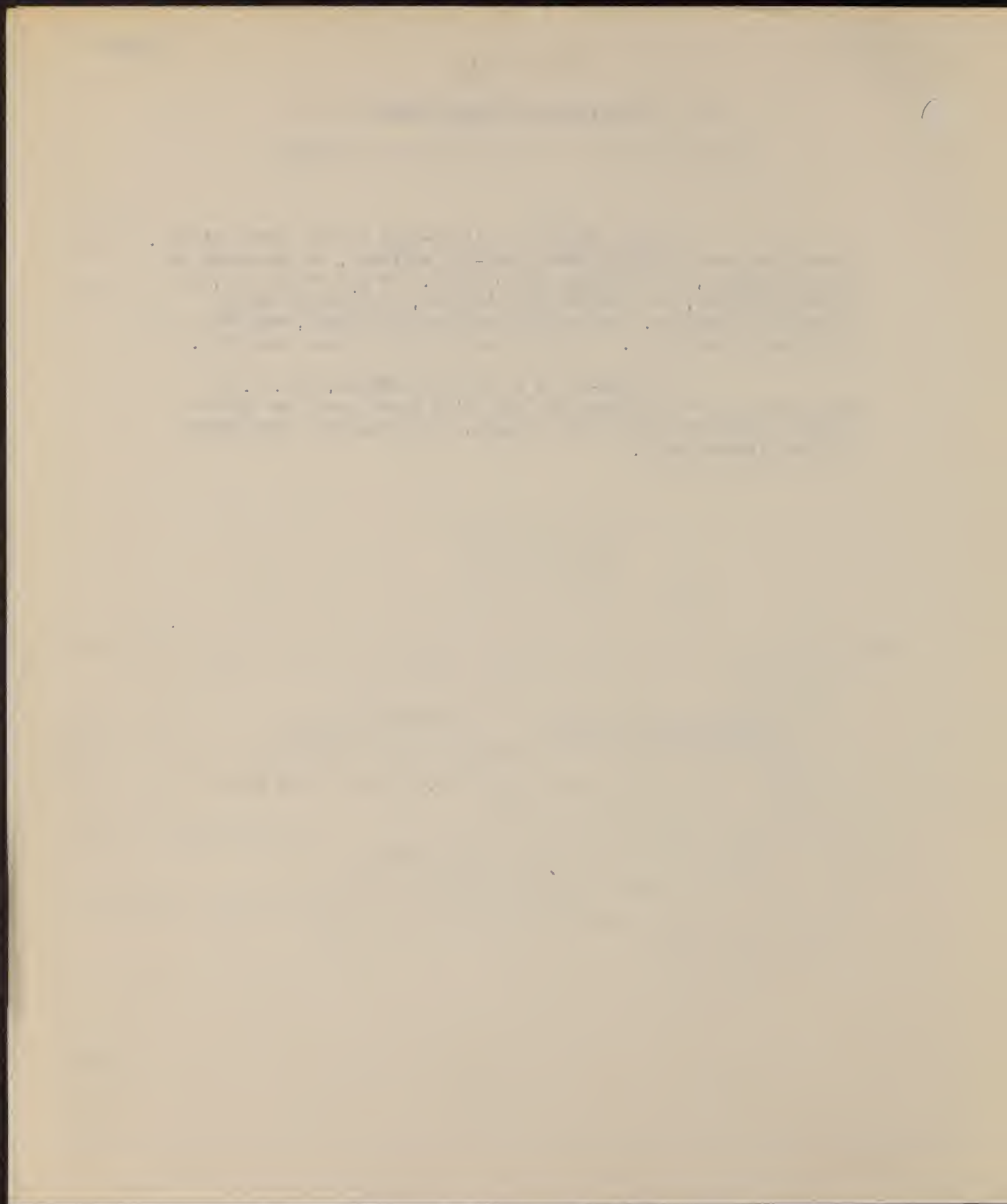
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Sons + Daughters of U. E.

Oliver Church, of Fredericksburgh = *femina*, daughter of John Richards U.E.

Children:

1. Elizabeth born July 1783 (= 28.2.1809 Duncan) U.C. 10.5.1803
b. 24.9.1786; d. 1.10.1853
2. Mary, mar. Wm. T. Poirer of Fredk. 3.4.1807 26.1.1808
3. John, of Fredericksburgh (mar. Mary ~~Reid~~ (b. 1787) 7.2.1809
4. Eleanor bapt. 26.12.1789 16.2.1811
5. William, of Fredericksburgh, bapt. 5.2.1791 my birth 9.7.1817
6. Malachi, bapt. 9.7.1788; bur. 16.2.1789
7. Oliver b. 1784, Id. Petition 1805; mar. Mary (Charles daughter of Gradus)
8. Catherine



"C" Papers.

Church

Application for Land in Upper Canada, 1803.

Church, Joseph
Mary.

Applications for land in Upper Canada in 1804.

Church, Elizabeth,
Oliver Capt.
Catherine
Nelly, see Ferguson

Names expunged from the U. E. List as recommended by report of Council,
dated 23 May, 1802.

Church, Oliver, Jun.

Applications for Land in Upper Canada, 1805

Church, Oliver

List of Half-pay Officers, 1 June, 1806.

Church, Oliver Lieut K.R.R.N.Y., 2d Batt. aged 50 lives Midland Dist,
Date of Pay June 25, 1784.

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List of Officers of 2nd, K. R. R. N. Y.

Lieut. Church, born in America, served 7 years, farmer.

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Roll of Loyalists at & in the Dependencies of Cataraqui, 4 Dec., 1783

Jemima Church, aged 18 years, 0 months. 2 K. R. R. N. Y.
Elizabeth Church, " 0 " 5 "



MASON, Abbott, b. 1906. Genealogist. Compiling data on Richard Church (Plymouth). Wants to corr. with all persons of the above names. Address: 12660 Kling St., North Hollywood, Calif.

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BAY OF QUINTE PIONEERS.

Church.

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until its disbandment at Fort Frontenac on June 25, 1784. He accompanied the unit when it settled in the present township of Fredericksburgh, leaving his young wife and daughter with the family servant in the house beside the fort.

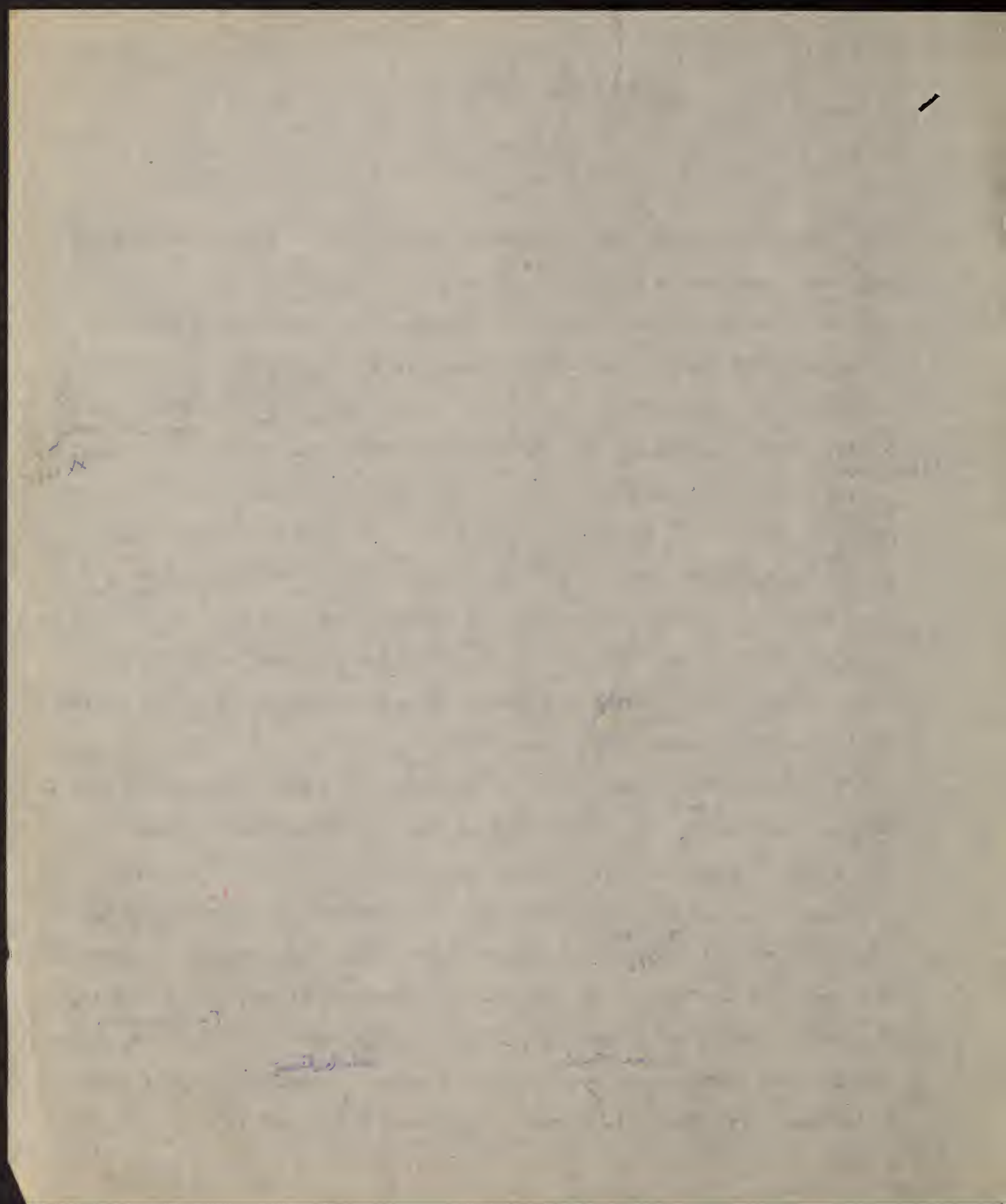
In the drawing of lots in the township he was fortunate to obtain his location in the first concession facing the Upper Gap. Here he died in 1812 at the age

of fifty-seven, leaving his widow and family of three sons and three daughters.

Of his three sons, John and William remained in Fredericksburgh for many years and with their families are buried in St. Paul's Cemetery, Sandhurst.

The third son, Oliver, removed to Prince Edward County shortly after 1808, where he died at a ripe age and where his descendants still reside. These sons, it is said, all took an active part in the War of 1812. Oliver attained the rank of captain while serving with the Prince Edward County militia. The daughters married into the Mackenzie and Finkle families.

The name of Church has long since disappeared from Fredericksburgh Township, although descendants carrying the names of Ham and Young still live along the Front. Like so many families, the later generations have scattered far from the old home. A grandson was Sheriff in Lennox and Addington, a great-grandson was a Judge in Oxford County, ^{Ontario.} Many familiar names in those early days are encountered in enumerating the descendants of Lieut. Church--Pruyn, Finkle, Ham, Mackenzie, Chamberlain, Price, Young, Murney, Welbanks, Dulmage, Minaker, Farrington. And none of these should recall ^{their} past history without a certain degree of pride in the honorable part Lieut. Oliver and his young wife played in the battle for a lost



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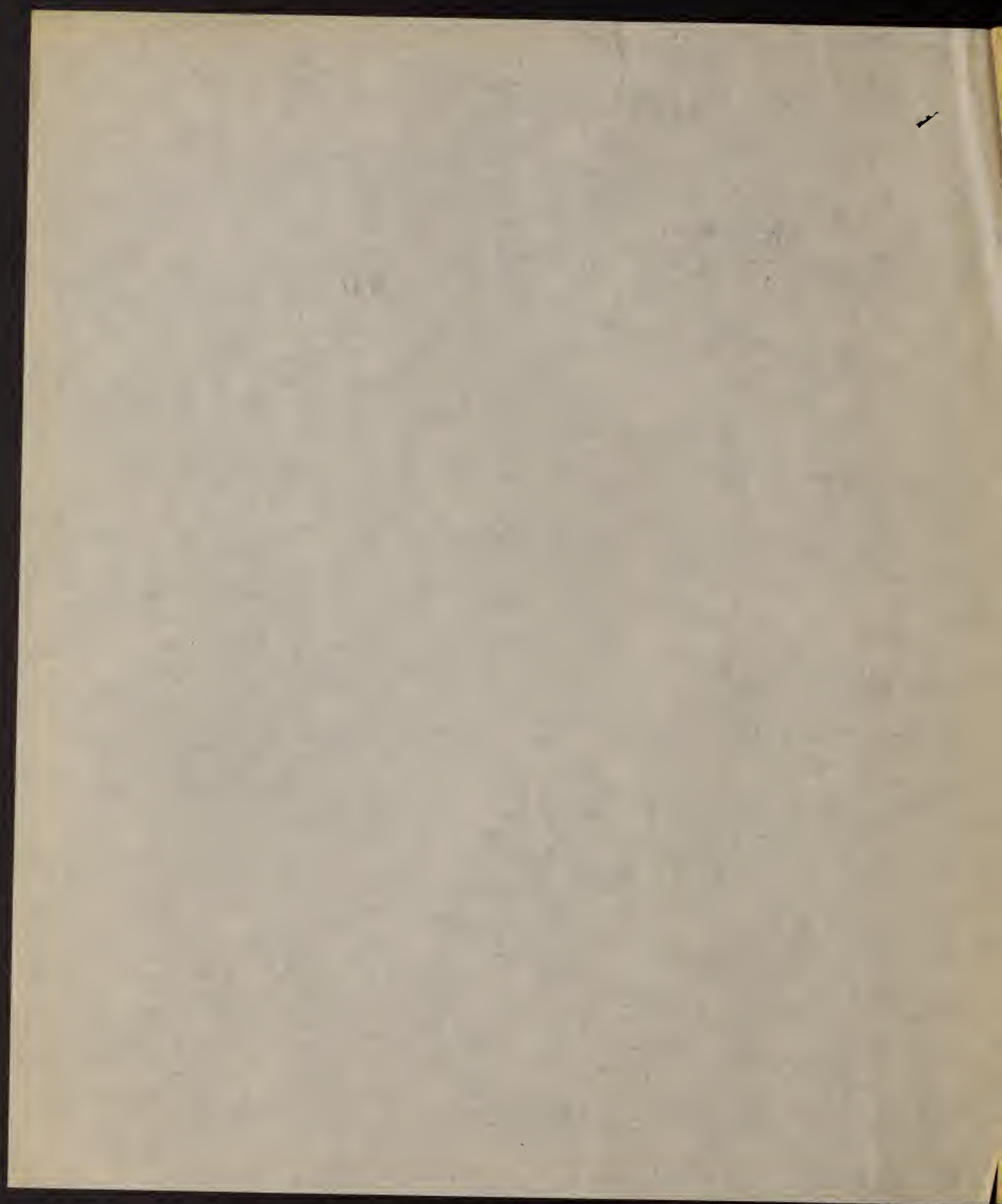
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a lost cause ~~and~~ the struggle for a home in a new land.

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Roll of Loyalists at & in the dependencies of Calanquin and
the Provisions they draw. Calanquin 4 Dec 1783

Jemima Church aged 18 years ! 22.1.1784 15.1785
Elizabeth Church aged 5 months : 22.1.1784 15.1785

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Ft St John Sep. 18. 1779

Mr. Church with four other Loyalists returned last
night from a scout the particulars of which I have the honor to
transmit to your Excellency. Mr. Church further mentions
and is very willing to return to Connecticut to procure inform-
ation

Ft St John Sep. 25. 1779

Mr Church has gone to Sorel on his way to see Gen. Beldin

Ft. St. John Oct 6 1779

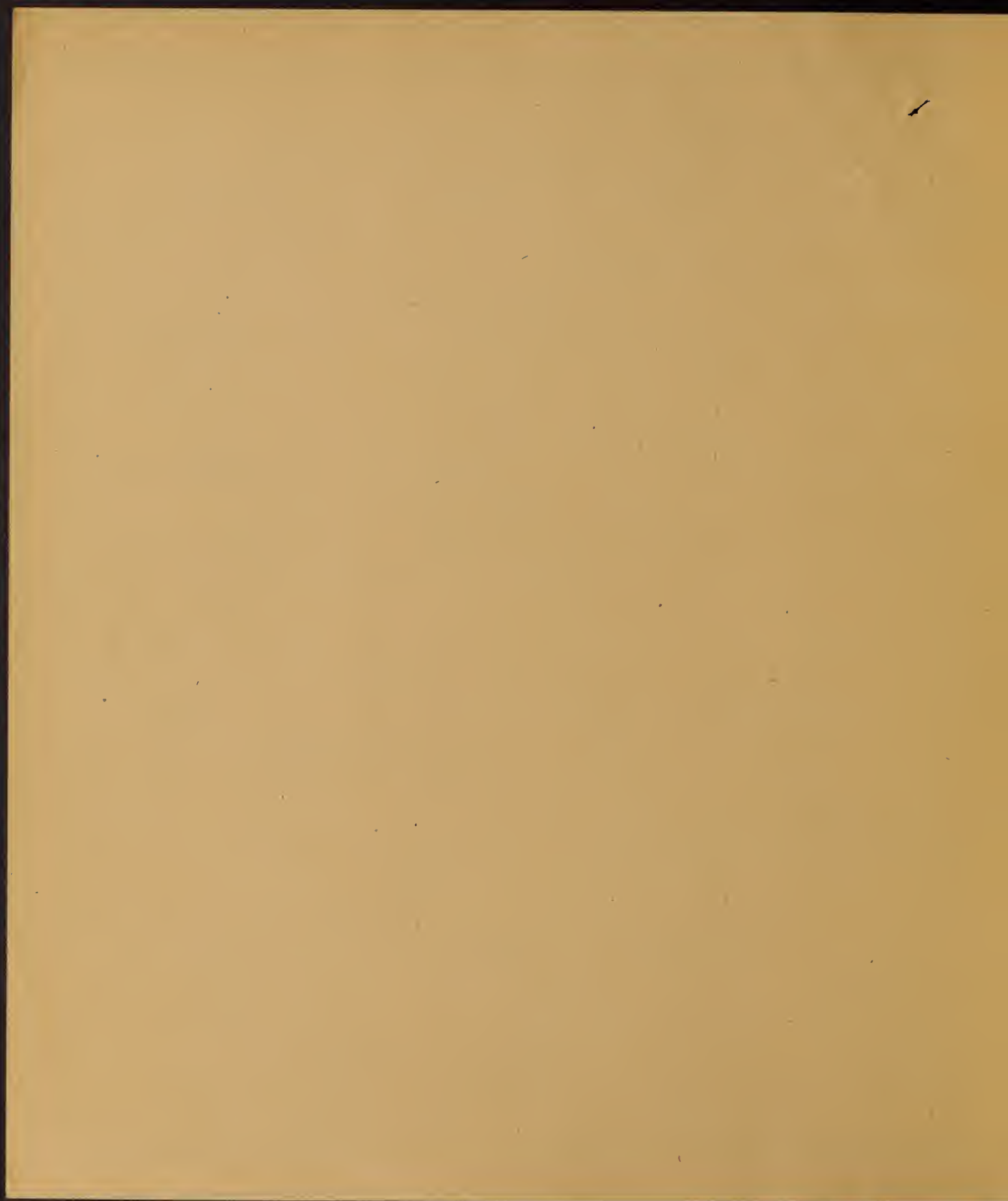
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wanted

Ft St John May 20 1780

Mr. Oliver Church arrived yesterday afternoon

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Mr. Church mentioned by Major Rogers, St. John's on Mar 27 1780



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Account of R. R. R. N. Y. to date. Pt. Clear 17 May 1781
Oliver Church 25 July 1775, discharged 24 June 1777.

Account of Contingent Expenses of the John Johnson in
Sundry Services between 25 June 1778 + 1 Dec 1780

May 8 1779 To Cash to Oliver Church & Party on a scout
to Connecticut River £ 10.0.9

Aug 25, 1780 Cash to Mr. Oliver Church on a scout
to Connecticut River £ 12.0.0

Roll of Men in 2d R. R. R. N. Y. enlisted since 25 Oct. 1779

Oliver Church 25 Apr 1783

Persons Recommended for Promotion in 2d R. R. R. N. Y.

Ensign Oliver Church - receiving insignia substantives in 15 R. R. N. Y.

Return of Officers Recommended for Promotion in 2d R. R. N. Y.

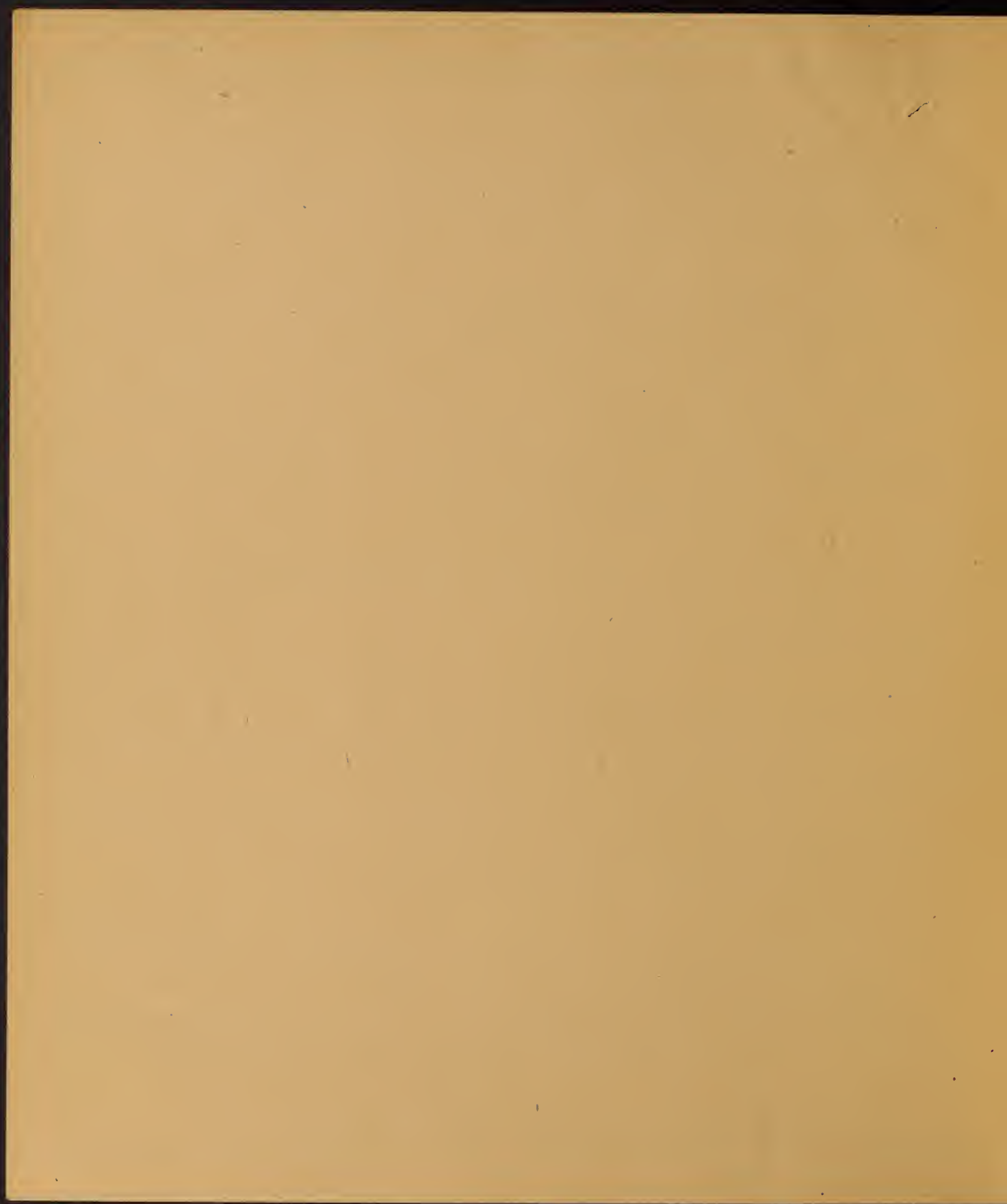
Ensign Oliver Church Pensioned at £11 per month

Return of Disbanded Soldiers + Souldiers settled in Sp.

3 (Catawagus) Mustered 6 Oct 1784

St Oliver Church 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 ^{-10 men} Man on his land family at Cataw-
agus. 2d R. R. N. Y.

Jonathan Mills Church 1 1 2 0 1 0 0 at Catawagus



Church

Hald Papers

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Hald. Papers 3

List of Officers signing a petition asking that the R.R.N.Y 2d
as be done with 1st be put on the Am. Establishment (thus to
be enabled to draw half pay,

Oliver Church Lt

2.12.22.27.57

B. 166

Remarks Concerning Loyalists Apr. 18. 1779

Private Persons not Attached to Parties

Oliver Church

Return of Families of Loyalists Receiving Provisions in
the District of Montreal from 25 Oct to 24 Nov 1780

Oliver Church 1000000 Pensioners Montreal

List of Loyal Subjects who for sufferings, losses & services to
Govt. have been recommended for subsistence as a temporary Relief.

Oliver Church £11 from 25 Oct 1777 no family Recommended by Sir Jos Johnson
His father died in Canada, his family suffered much
in other respects.

General Return of Unincorporated Loyalists & Families
who Received Provisions gratis from 25 Aug. to 24 Sept 1781

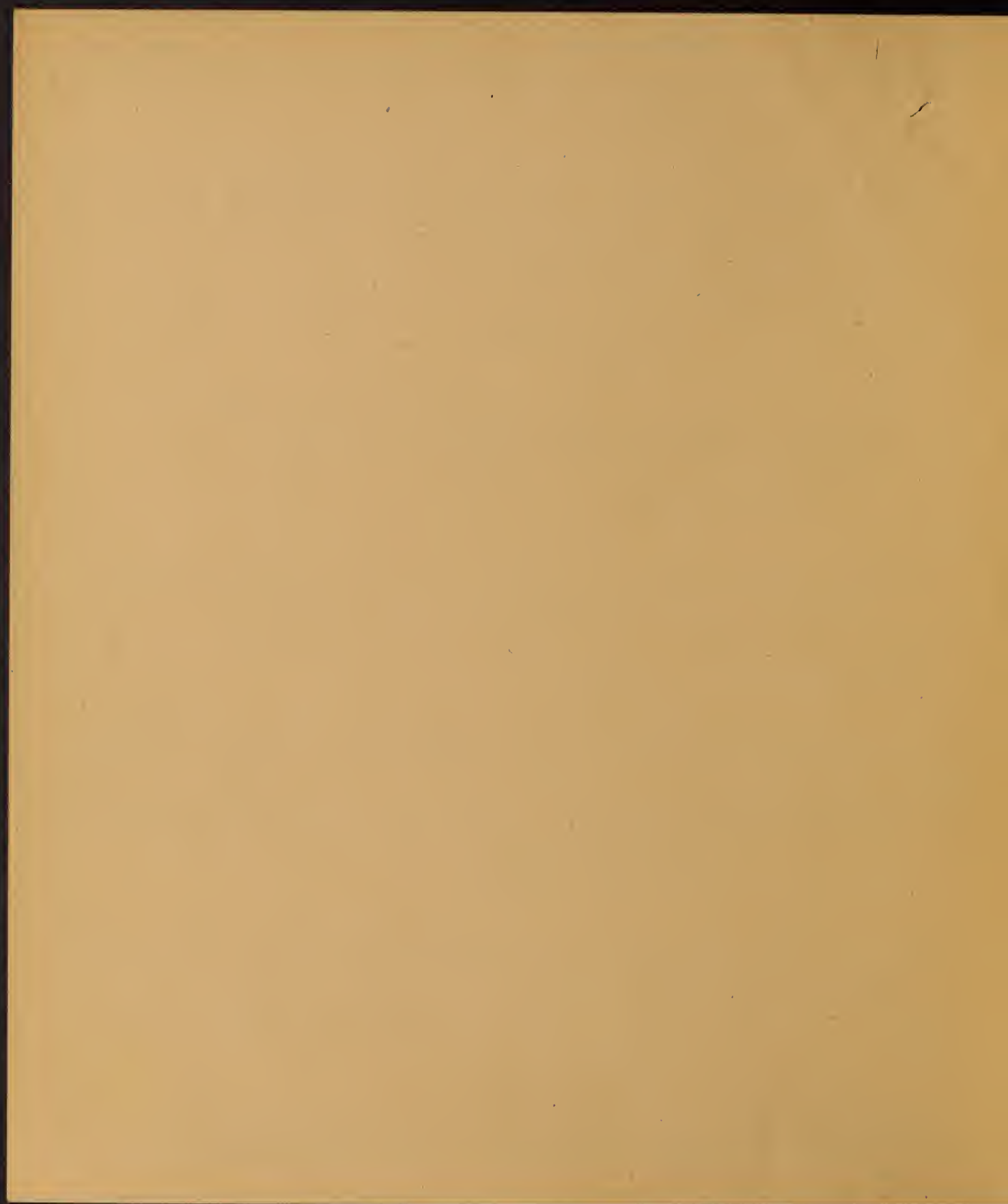
Oliver Church 001000 no corps Montreal Subsettled at £11

Remarks on Pensioners

Not Attached

~~permanently Gentlemen on subsistence list~~

Oliver Church - Volunteer in Royal Yorkers.



Church

Q Papers

Church

Q Papers

Applications for Land in Upper Canada 1803

Joseph 373

Mary 382

do 1804

Elizabeth 478

Oliver Capt 530

William 146

Names suggested for the List is recommended by report
of Council dated 23 May 1806

Oliver Church 80

Applications for Land - Upper Canada 1805

Church Oliver 202, 203

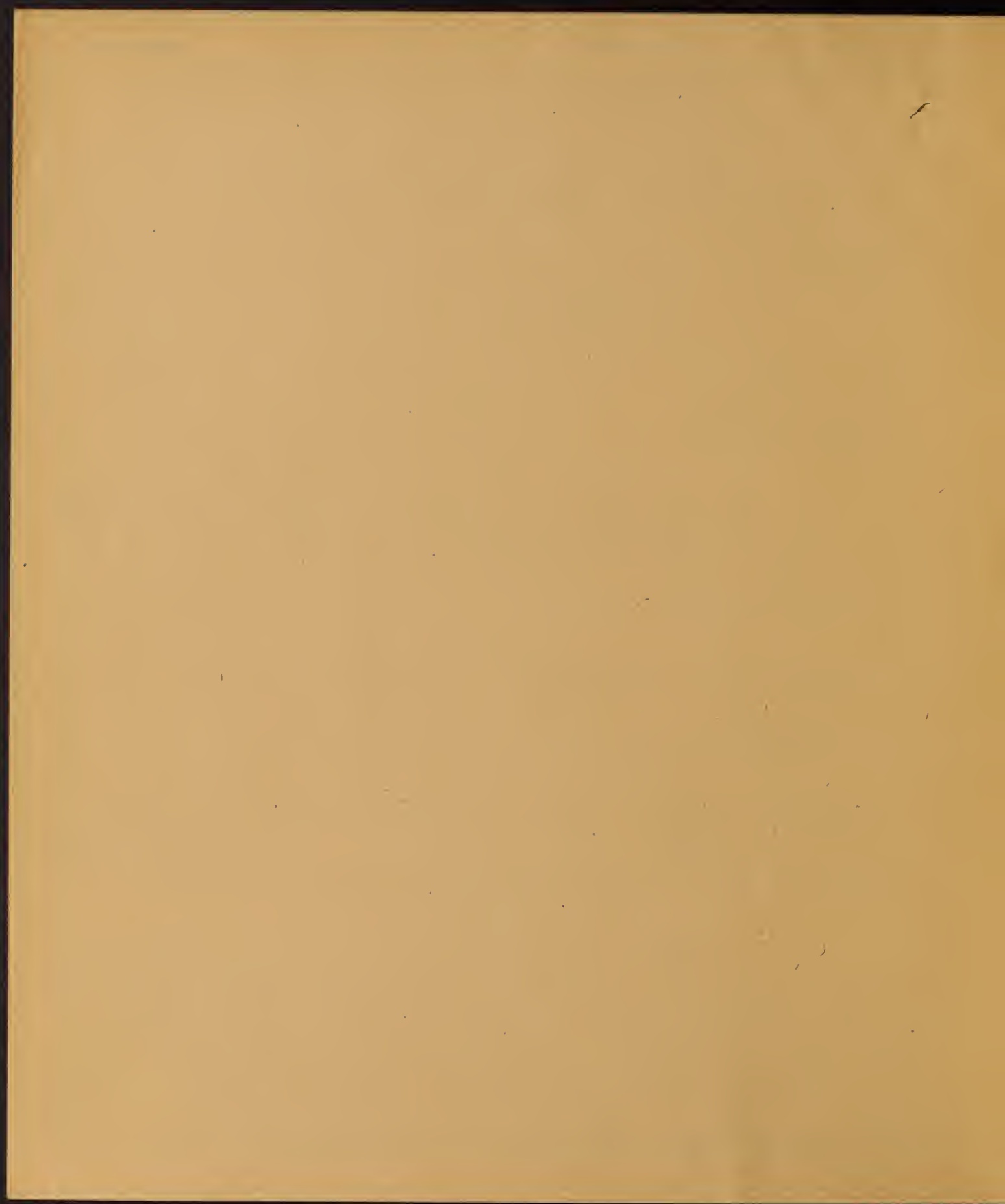
List of Half Pay Officers 1st June 1806

Date of Pay

Church Oliver Lt 2d on RR 1st 50 Montreal June 25 1784

Canniff's History Pro of Lists

Oliver Church was Lieut. in the 84th Regiment. He settled with
many other half-pay officers on the point of Frederichsbuys, three miles
west of Bath. He had three sons and three daughters, who settled
upon the Bay, but are now dead except one daughter. Lt. Church died in
1812, and his wife some years later. They are both very old when they died
A grand-child of the old veteran, Mrs. M. of Bellefield, informs us that



Church

Church

she has often heard about her grandfather having to crush grain
by hand, and spending a week going to the Hugston mill

U. S. List

Church, Oliver Fredrickson S. S. Hunt R R N Y - Stamped Book.
P. L. 1786
do for do Volunteer - 400 acres - 4 son of Lt.
O. Church R R N Y P. L. 1786

Haldeman Papers

Lachus May 25. 1779 to John Johnson to Haldeman.
Sutherland and Church have returned, the former with
13 recruits from Tryon County, the other from Alter Creek,
with intelligence from Col. Wells in New Hampshire and
Col. Jones in Connecticut, who expect intelligence from New
York. B. 158. p. 60

Montreal 25 May 1779

Intelligence brought from Connecticut River by Mrs
Church B. 181, p. 174

St Johns Nov. 7, 1779

Oliver Church to Brigadier Powell
B. 182. p. 118

St Johns Mar. 27, 1780

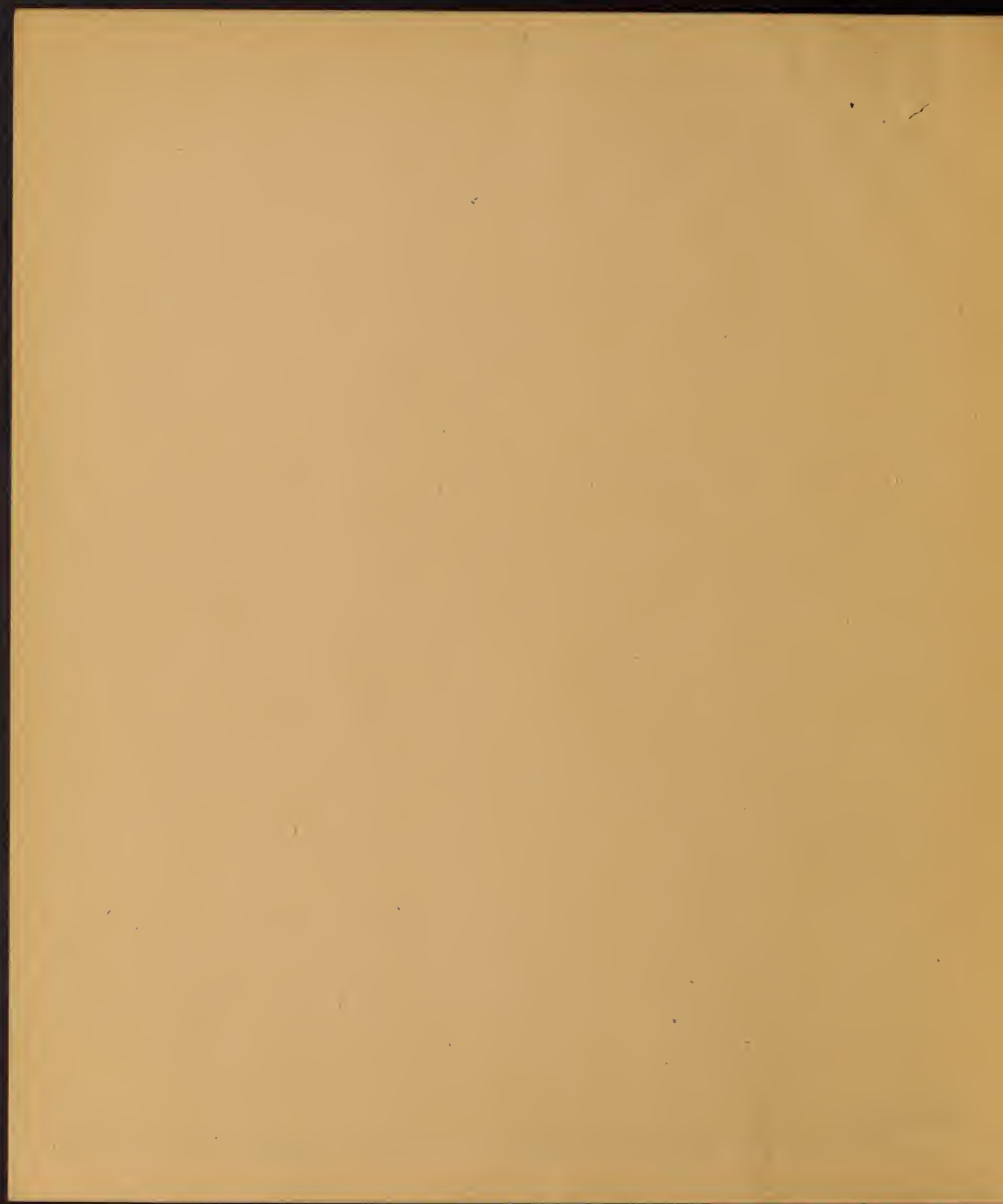
Maj. Jas Rogers to Mathews

Encloses orders he had given to Mr Church and party; hopes
they will be approved of. Church has had leave to take a man
named Wall with him, as he does not know the country and Wall
does B. 160 p. 35

Quebec Apr 6 1780

Mathews to Major Rogers

His excellency approves of its instructions to Mr. Church B. 160. p. 38



Church

Church

W. Johns Jan. 31. 1861

Letter to Mr. Church

Mr Church of Sir John Johnson's corps arrived at Point
au Fer on the 27th, being in the woods ten days from Chateau-
guay B. 154. p. 297

Montreal Dec. 6. 1861

Capt. Seake to Mr. Church

Wishes that William Fraser's commission be antedated
to give him seniority over Messrs Spence & Church
B. 158. p. 255

The Eastern District

The Commander-in-Chief having thought proper to direct
Sir John Johnson, Bart., to raise a second battalion to his corps,
the following appointments are to take place.

Lieutenants — Oliver Church.

The following list of officers, recommended by His Excellency
Gen. Valdemar for promotion in the 2nd Bn. R.R.N.Y., is compiled
from the returns given — Series B.

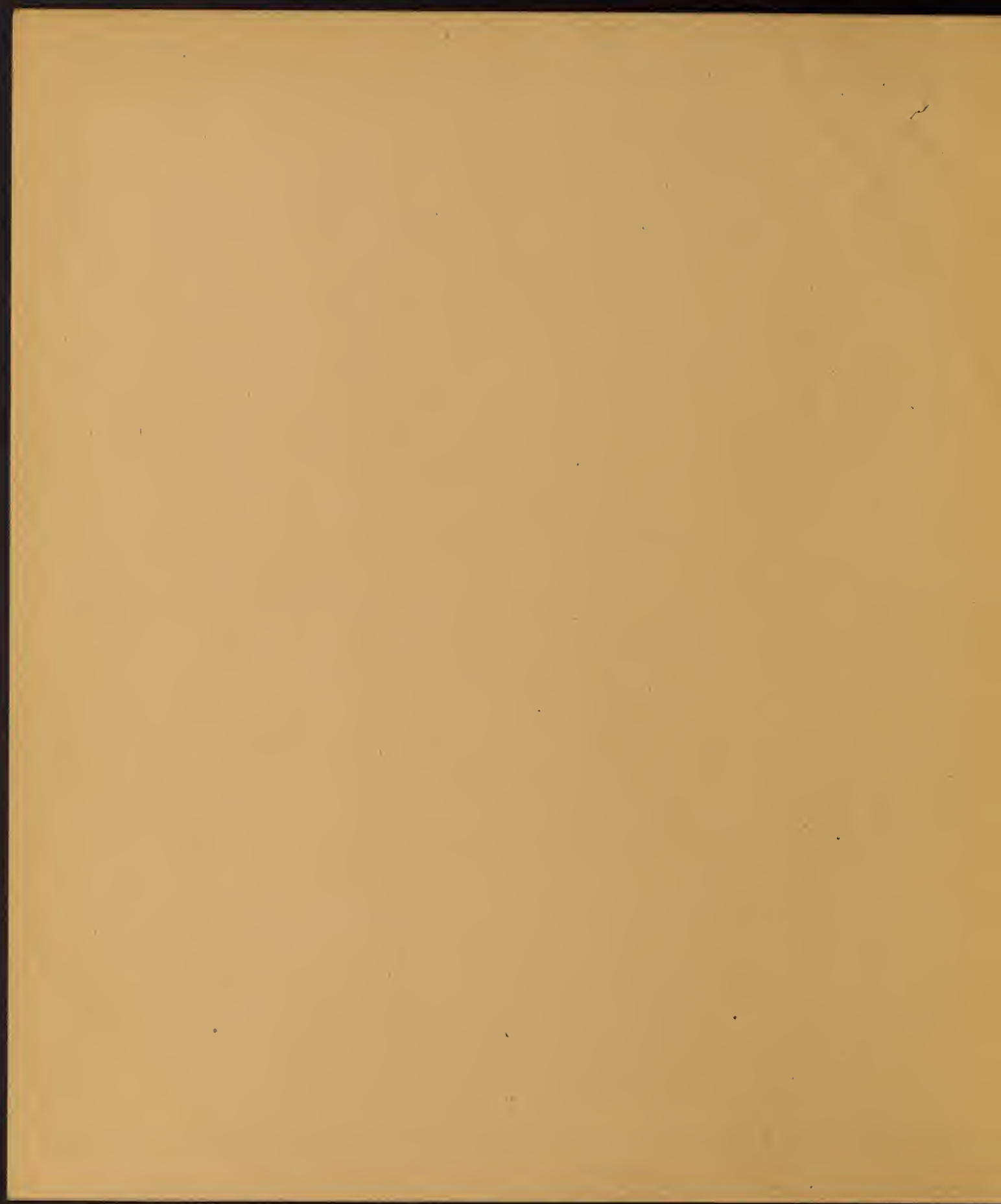
	List		
	1	2	3
Ensigns. Oliver Church. Ensign 1. R.R.N.Y.			

List of the Officers of the 2nd Bn. R.R.N.Y.

Mr. Oliver Church born in America, served 7 yrs. Farmer

Roll of 2nd Bn. R.R.N.Y., taken from Canoniff's book. "The
Settlement of Upper Canada"

Oliver Church.



Prueyn Family

Church
(Prueyn)

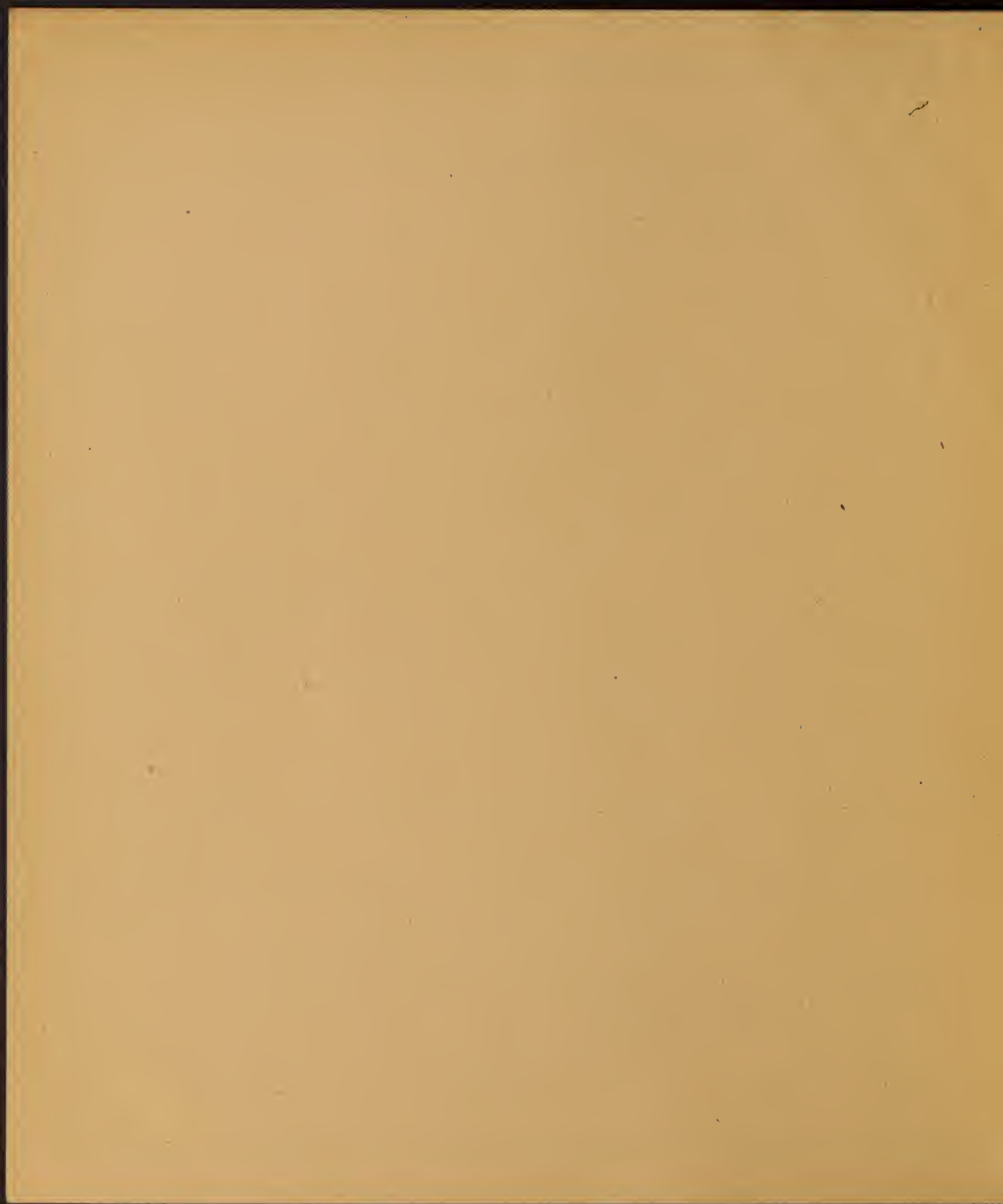
William or William Thadford Prueyn (Matthew, Harmer, Brent, Frans Jansen), born Apr. 11, 1787, baptized May 6, 1787 at Kinderhook Dutch Church. Lived at Fredericksburgh, Ont. Was a merchant farmer and lumber dealer and erected the first lumber mill on the Salmon River, Ont. He died Aug. 3, buried Aug. 4, 1821 at St. Paul's Fredericksburgh. He married May 3, 1801 (family bible) Mary Church, born Sep. 24, 1786; died Oct. 1, 1853, daughter of Oliver Church and Gemina Richie and had issue

1. Martha, married John Finkle.
2. Gemina, born Apr. 20, 1809; died Oct. 15, 1846; married Oct. 16, 1835, Henry Finkle.
3. Jane Maria, born Dec. 20, 1811; died Jan. 24, 1829.
4. Oliver Thadford, married Elizabeth Rickerson Dorkland.
5. Matthew William, married Mary Margaret Kirby.
6. Elizabeth Margaret, born Oct. 3, 1821; died April, 1834.
7. Eleanor, married George Ham.

Kingston Gazette & Religious Advocate

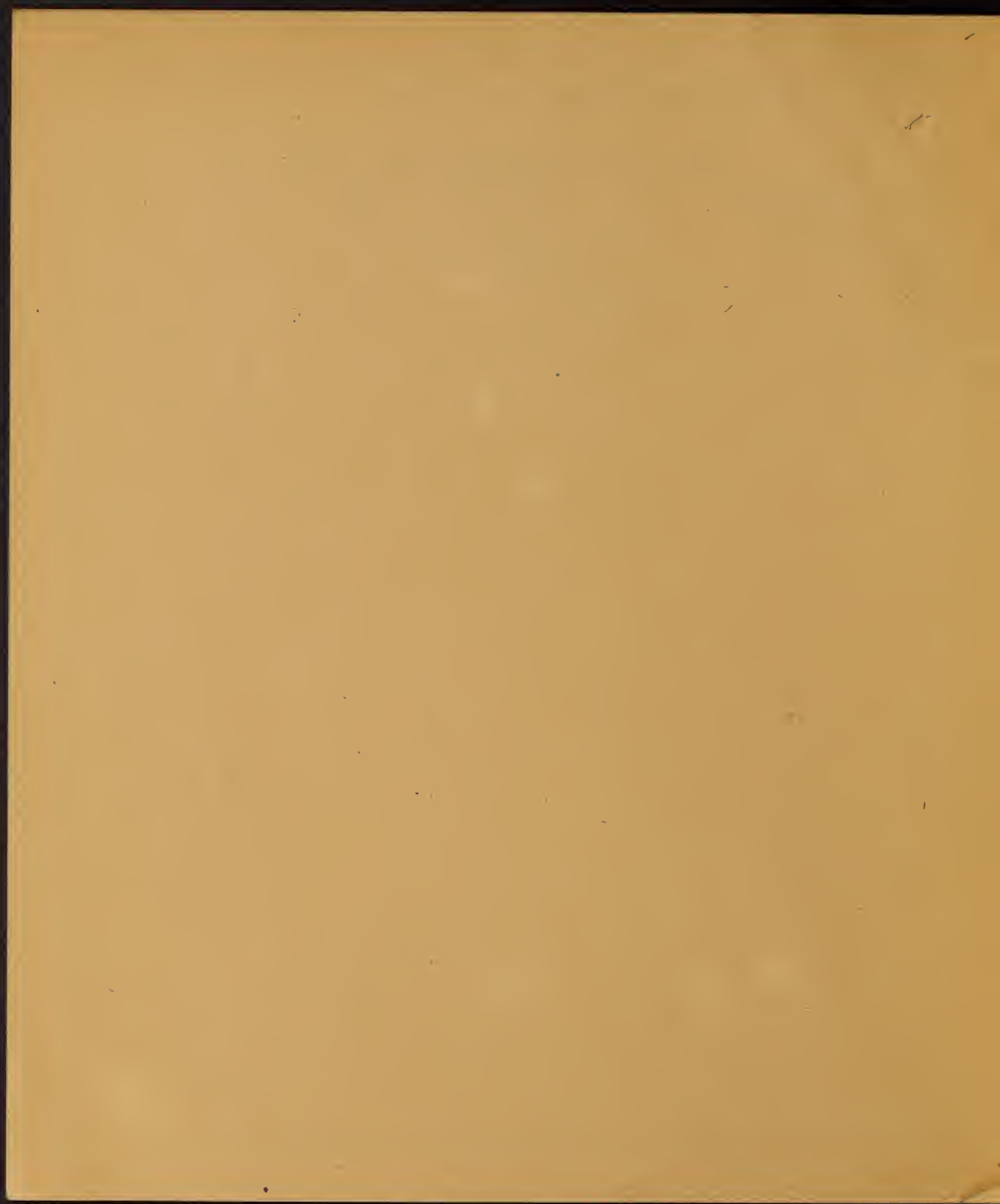
Mar 26 1830 married 18th inst. at Fredericksburgh by Rev. J. Stoughton, Peter Vanalstine Dorkland, of Adolphustown, & Eleanor Church, of Fredericksburgh.

1829
Dec. 25. List of magistrates of Midland District.
John Church.



Fredericksburgh Assessment Roll of 1808

	John Church	Oliver Church	Oliver Church
acres uncultivated	293	80	246
cultivated	7	20	12
houses rd. logs	-	-	1
assessment	-	-	-
horses	1	-	3
oxen	2	-	-
cows	3	-	3
horned cattle	-	-	-
swine	-	-	-



Samuel Church

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Church

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Matthias⁸ (Sam³ & Sam² & Rich¹) b Feb 7 1704 m 1727
Rachel W^c Crammer of Springfield. He d. in Brattleboro May
1780. She d. Sep 16 1786

Ch

Matth⁸ b Dec 5 1728

W^c Harrison b. Mar 3 1780 m 1750 Jane Wood.

Rachel b Apr 10 1731 m Joseph Bond of Springfield.

Malachi⁵ b June 24 1732 m Elyth Miller.

Jesse b Jul 14 1733

Eben b Dec 14 1734 m. Mary Farand; went to Brattleboro

Imochy b Mar 12 1736 m Abigail Church his cousin.

Jonathan b. Apr 7 1747, d Dec 7 1817. C. Brattleboro, Vt.

d Monson N.Y.

Bury b Mar 20 1751 m Parson Whipple.

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Samuel Ch. (Sam² & Rich¹) b Aug 19 1667, m first
Jul 7 1692, Abigail Harrison (Sep 1 1613 - Sep 17 1717) dan
of Isaac Harrison of Haddley, m 2^d Aug 13 1700,
Abigail Shaw. He d in 1757 in Haddley. She m 2^d Oct 11 1738
Ebenezer Chapin. He was wounded at Deerfield Mar 1704

Ch.

Martha b. Sep 23 1694. mar. Jan 5 1715 John White, son
of W^c of the Mayflower.

Abigail b Dec 25 1696. m May 7 1723, Samuel Warner.

Rich^d b Sep 20 1700

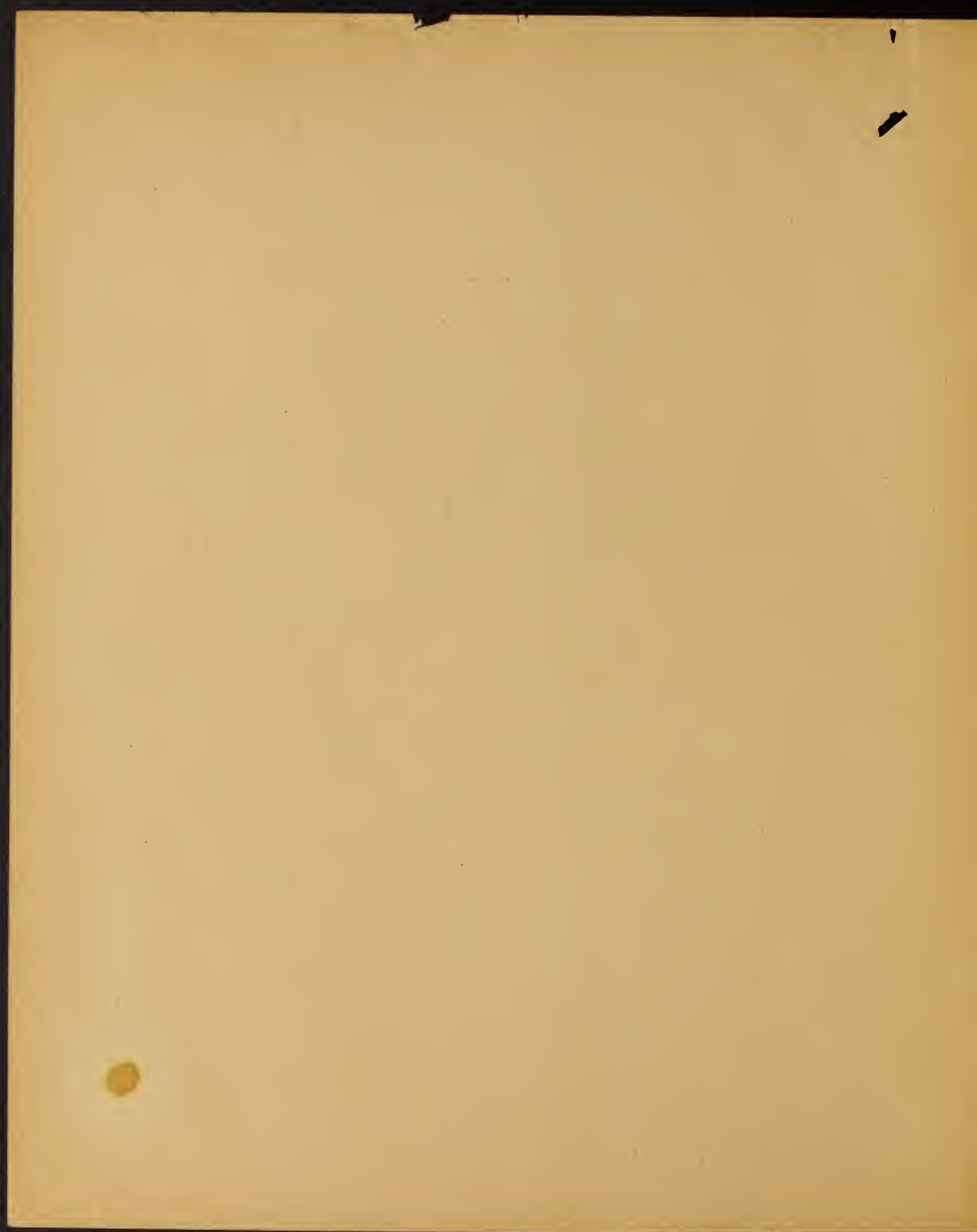
Matth⁸ b Feb 7 1704 d Mar 9 1760

Sam⁸ b Aug 21 1706. Set. in Amherst.

Expenses b Feb 2 1710. m. Jan 14 1733 Joseph Wright

Joseph b Jan 28 1726, d Sep 7 1817

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Church

Samuel Ch (Richd. 1) b 1636, was made a freeman²
in Hartford in 1657. He held the rank of captain. He m.
Mary, da. of Josiah Churchill of Wethersfield, b Mar 24,
1638, & d. in 1690. (See Churchill Family p. 327). He d.
in Hadley Apr 13 1684

Ch
Mary b Jan 23 1664; d Jan 14, 1700. M. in 1684 Samuel Smith
Saml b Aug 19 1667; d 1727

Richd b Dec 9 1669; d Oct 15 1696. M. Jan 24 1692 Sarah
Bancroft Killed by Indians at Sunderland

Mitilable b Jan 11 1672; m Nehemiah Dickinson

Josiah b Apr 10 1673

Joseph b Mar 25 1678; d 1721, S

Benjamin b Sep 1 1680; d. Jan 15 1755

Jno b Dec 24 1682. Prob. set in East Hadley

(Pet. of Hon Saml Ch. Chief Justice of Conn)

Richd Ch of Hartford

Richd Ch, son of Richd & Alice, b in London Eng, Feb 6
1610. m. May 18, 1627, Anne, da. of Edward Marsh (1600-Oct 10,
1684) of Grantham Eng. He came to Hartford & Boston in 1636,
& drew twelve acs. of ld in the first ld dist in 1639;
had a house & ld. in Burr Street & lived at the cow-
pasture in 1640, was overseer of churchyards in 1647 & was
freed from watching, warding & training by a General
Court Mar 7 1654 & 1655

He was one of 60 signers who at a meeting at
Goodman Ward's house April 18, 1659, signed an agreement



Church³

to remove themselves & families out of Connecticut
Harris Manor, for a purpose of forming a town of
Haddam, which he d Dec. 16, 1667

Ch

Edwd b Feb 26, 1626; d Sep 10, 1704

Saml b Mar 3, 1629; d young

Mary b Nov 2, 1632

John b Mar 4, 1636; d Oct 16, 1691

Saml b 1636 d Apr 13, 1684

His English Ancestry

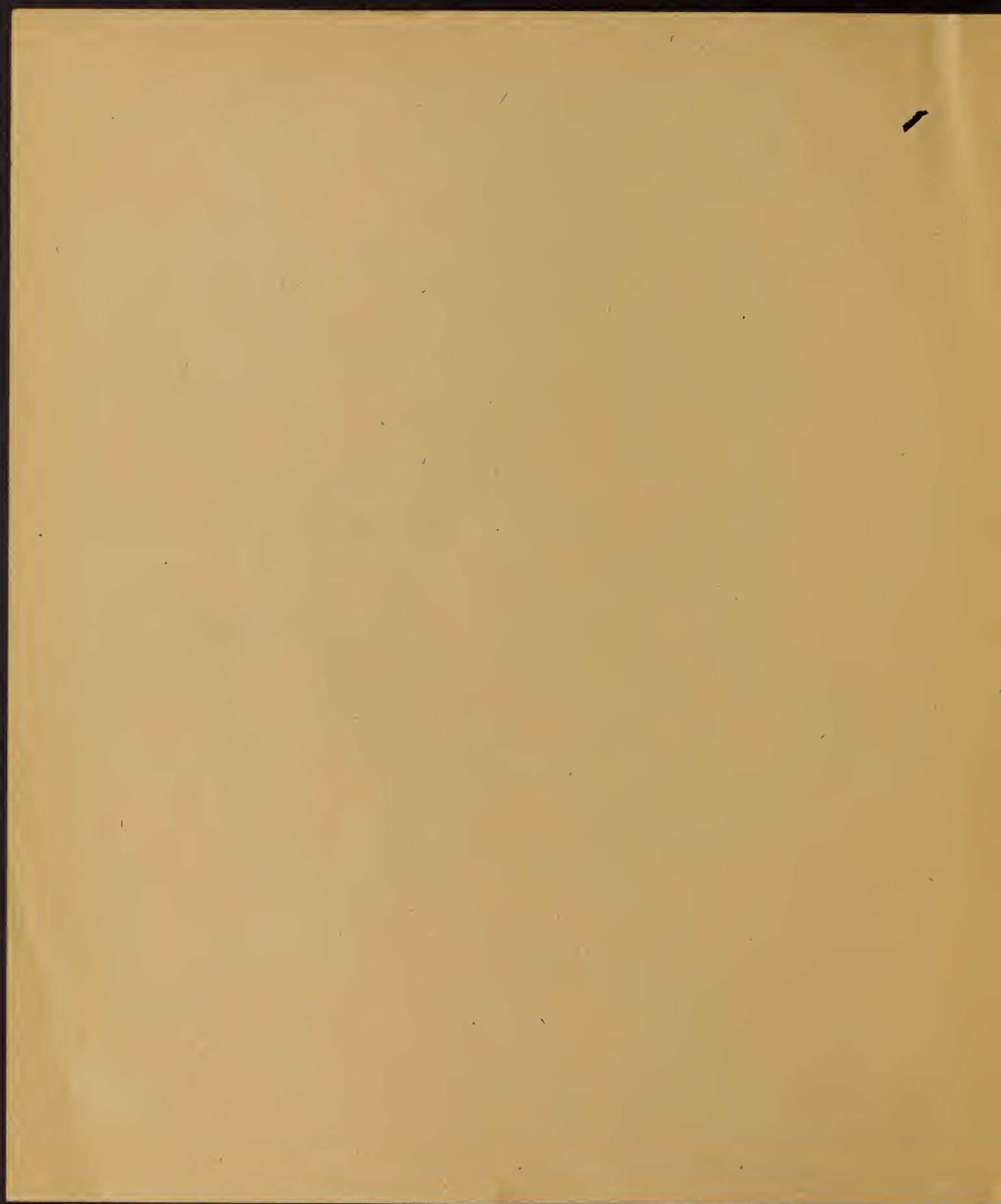
John at Church¹ (1335-1396)

of Great Parendon Parish, Manor of Grebourn, Co. of Essex,
is a first of this family as far known. He was in 1360
Catherine, dau. of Richd Wodehouse, who d in 1358, holding
a third part of the advowson of the church & his wife's
part of a manor. This John d in 1396, holding land in
Great Parendon as appears from an inquisition post
mortem, held in 2nd Richd II, where a number of his
two sons are given

Ch

Robert Church, who d in 1424, holding land in Great
Parendon. His only dau Joan, m. Richd Maister

John Church see below
Cathel



John Chyngch (1365-1450)
 of Leicester is believed to have been identical to the above
 John Chyngch of Lancaster. He was a resident of the City of
 Leicester, & held much property. In 1399 he was elected
 Burgess of Paul, also in 1420, as appears from a record of
 a borough of Leicester. In 1402-1422 he was also Mayor
 of Leicester.

July 26 1452 Cathie, dan of John Ch^{with} of Leicester, left
 land to celebrate divine service daily for souls of John
 Ch, son + Cathie his wife, & John Ch, son, & Agnes his
 wife & Cathie; their dan + Cathie, dan of John Ch son
 Ch

John son below

Cathie who d by Jul 26 1452

Robt, a haberdasher of London, Father of John, a sculptor.

John Ch
 styled "junior," son of John Ch, must have had two sons,
 Reynold & John. They were minors at death of their
 parents. The land in Leicester was conveyed by John Ch
 Cathie by deed of May 6 1450.

Reynold Ch.

son of John + Agnes Ch, m in 1490 Mary, dan of Robt Green
 of Chester. He had his in Leicester, Handwich + Castle
 Camps, near Linton. The Handwich family coat of arms
 is on the fireplace



Ch
 Robt b 1505; d 1581. See below
 Jno of Malden, b. —; d. 1559
 W

Jno Church, son of Reynold & Maugt was alderman & bailiff
 of Malden. He m. 1st Joan Herkyn, & 2nd Mary, dau. of
 Edmund Tyrell, a descendant of Waller was sister W
 Rufus. He d Nov 19 1559. His ch was Jno & Edmund. Jno.
 m. Maugt, dau of Roche Green of Lit. Sampford, Co Ess.
 He d Jan 10 1565. His son Roche, bp Apr 9 1564, was surveyor
 to King James Edmund in June 8 1574. Dorothy, Green.
 Par of a H Ch says Jno, one of his grandsons, was sworn
 of Privy Chamber in 1634. The surname, of Malden
 branch is almost identical to that of Nantwich.

W son of Reynold & Maugt had a son Richd who
 built in 1573 the well known half-timbered house, still
 standing in Nantwich, styled "Chs Mansion". See
 Harleian manuscript in Por. Mus. Richd m Maugt,
 dau of Roger Wright, & d in 1592. Their ch. were
 W; Randle; Trabelda. W m 1st Elizabeth Wright; 2nd
 Maugt Wright. He d in Drayton in 1632. Randle,
 staunch Royalist was father of Randle & Randolph
 Ch, who was Sgt at Arms to Jas 1st in 1621. Trabelda
 m Jas. McBride a merchant in Drumpfries Scot.

Robt Ch
 son of Reynold & Maugt, b. abt 1505 of Castle Camps.

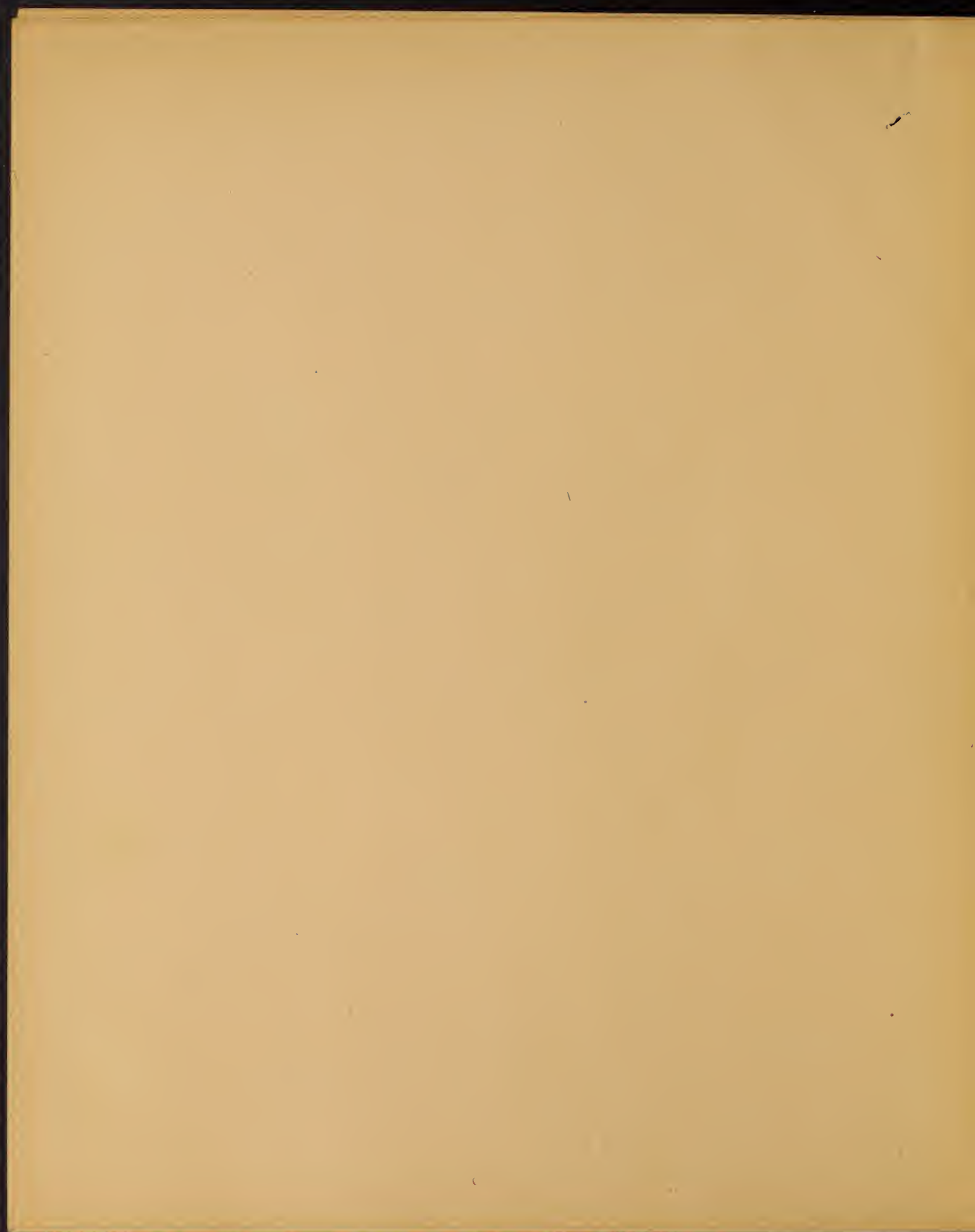


Cambridge was ~~Cambridge~~ at low. Steward
of East of Oxford. He had Mrs. (m.d.) the last was son,
Bartholomew. jnr.

Bartholomew of Eyles Colne, Co. Essex, m. Alice Bond
They had two ch. jnr. of ... & Robert. The Colne
branch also had an annuity

Jno. Ch.
s. of Robert Ch. of Castle Camps, of Bedford Co. Essex,
as appears from a Haul. mss. in Catho. Swann, prob. in
1547. & was made freeman - that year. He died in London.
Then ch. was Jno. & John. John m. Thomas. He was
warden of St. Clements Spire in 1547. They had a son
Thomas who sat in London & had ch. bapt. in St. James, also.
John who sat at Wyngemore, Kent; Chas. who m.
June 8 1580, Constant. Sappell. Port where m. was 25. 1509
(sic) Elyth Barnards; & Richd, who m. Agnes & Aug. 24
1603.

Jno. Ch.
b. abt 1548, s. of Jno. Ch. of Samford, Co. Essex, m. Joan Tillerell.
The distress of a poor during this time was very great & he
was appointed by a. offrs. of ch. one of two hable persons to
be gathered for a poor. He d. at Nov. 1573. Then ch. was:
Richd. Ruke, Sampson, Arnold, Henry
Arnold was b. Oct. 2 1575 at Canterbury. He had a
son Richd. who m. Mary, 29. 1627. Jno. Ruke.
Richd. m. Eliza Tey. His dau. Mary m. Jno. Jnr. Ruke
of No. Cambridge, Co. Essex
{ Sampson was bap Oct 2 1575 at Canterbury



Child

Henry in Alice — . He & his wife, — son ?
Henry, who in right married Jan 27 1607, in London,
of London, & a number of 11 families in Ann.

Richd Ch
son of Geo Ch & Joan Litchell, b May 9 1595, in Dec 15, 1614
Alice, wid of the late Henry, by former house in Bishop
Road, London in 1611. Thomas Sugar, London, merchant
tailor. In 1614 he was in Providence, Co Essex.

Ch
Alice b Jan 1603; in May 16 1607. Thomas Sugar, London.

Co Essex
Geo b Mar 17 1607; & July 3 1625, in Sep 29 1629.
Elizabeth, dan of Robert Marsh of Braintree. No ch
Henry b Nov 1604; in — Braintree. No ch.

Richd see below

Arnold, b. Mar 23 1611; in Mary's Ward, sister of
Nathl Ward, later of Hartford & Haddam.

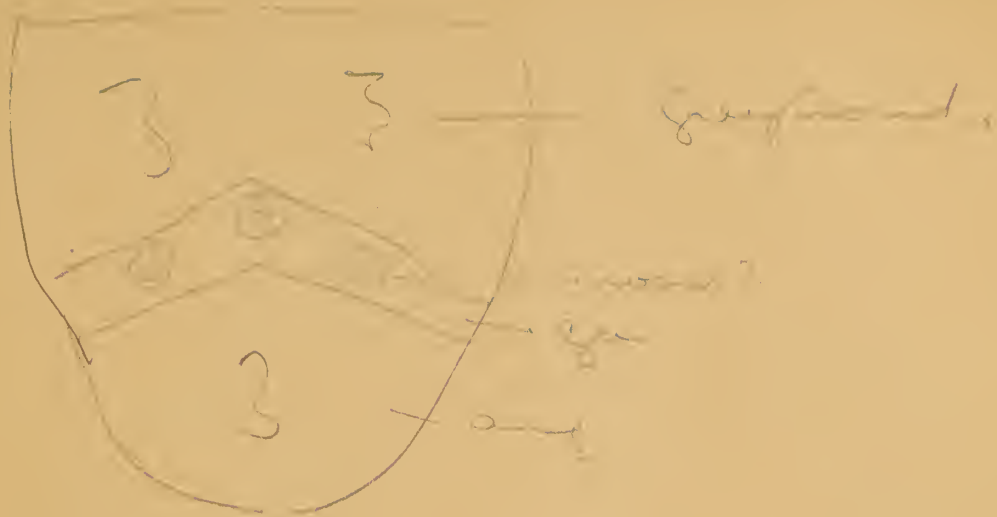
Richd Ch ^{in Braintree}

son of Richd & Alice, b Feb 6, 1610, in May 15, 1627, Conn;
dan of Edward Marsh, of Braintree. In 1635, he came to
Hartford & Haddam, and in Haddam, was Dec 15 1647.

"What induced him to emigrate, as of consequence,
Evidently, he came over in his relation for the Nathl
Marsh, a young Englishman who had come from Braintree
Co Essex, to Hartford."



Chord =





Church

1 John Church (1811-1896)

= Catherine, dau of Thomas & Ann Church

Robert
d. 1900

2

John (1832-1850)

Catherine

1 = Agnes Plant
d. 1850

John
Richard Martin

John

Catherine
d. before
1850

Robert
of London

Thomas
a. 1850

4

Barbara

= 1830

married dau of John & Ann

Plant

5 Robert

1831-1851

of Little Camp

Plant

John
of London
d. 1851

= 18 John & Ann

2 Mary dau of Thomas & Agnes

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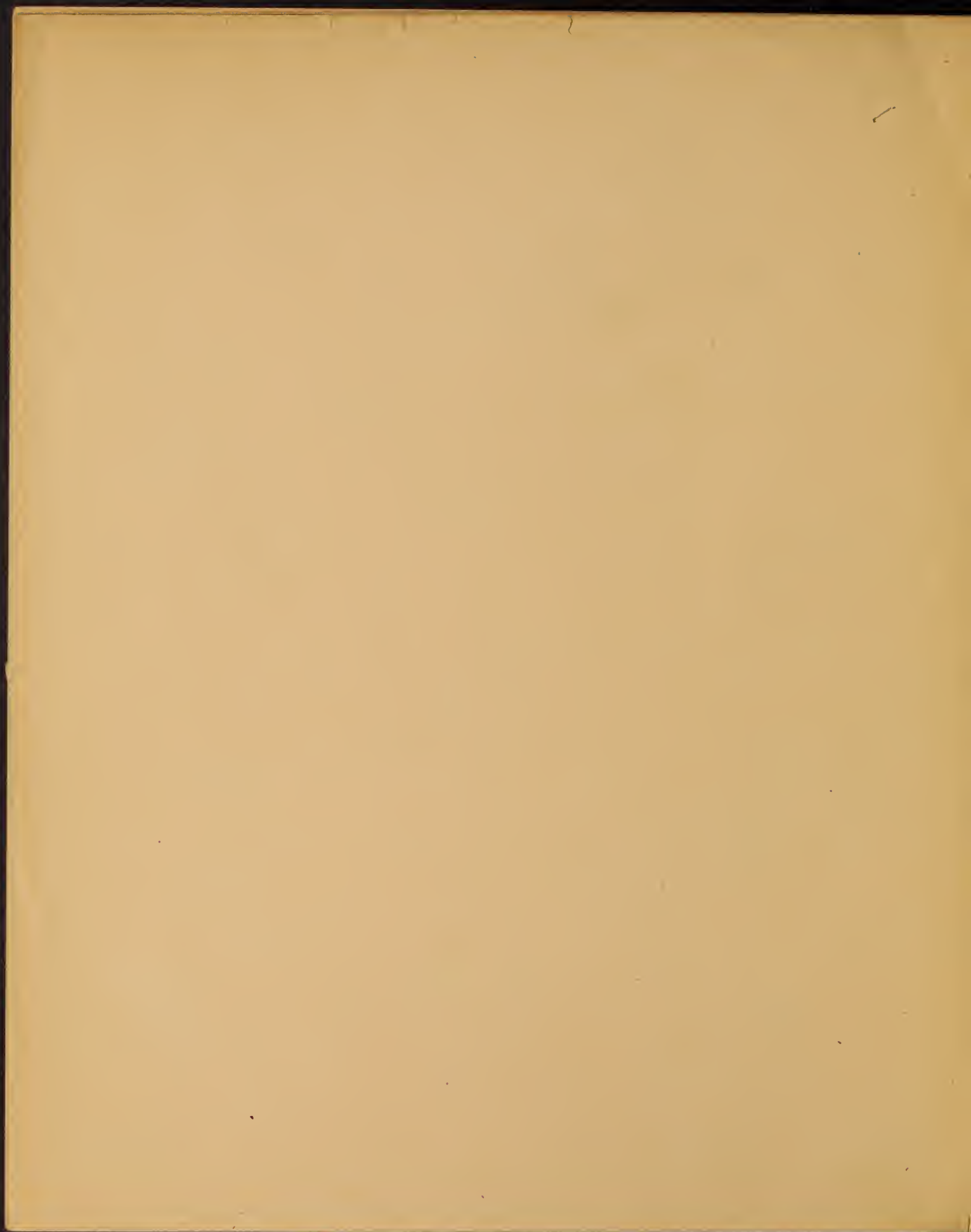
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Church -

{	Trinity Church of Brattleborough in the County	
	of Cumberland Farmer	£300
	Benjamin Butterfield of the same place Farmer	
	his Bail	£300.

It is therefore resolved that a warrant be made out for the immediate apprehension of the said Trinity Church, Comfort Joy and Jonathan Mills Church and that the said warrant be inclosed in a letter to Col. Patterson -

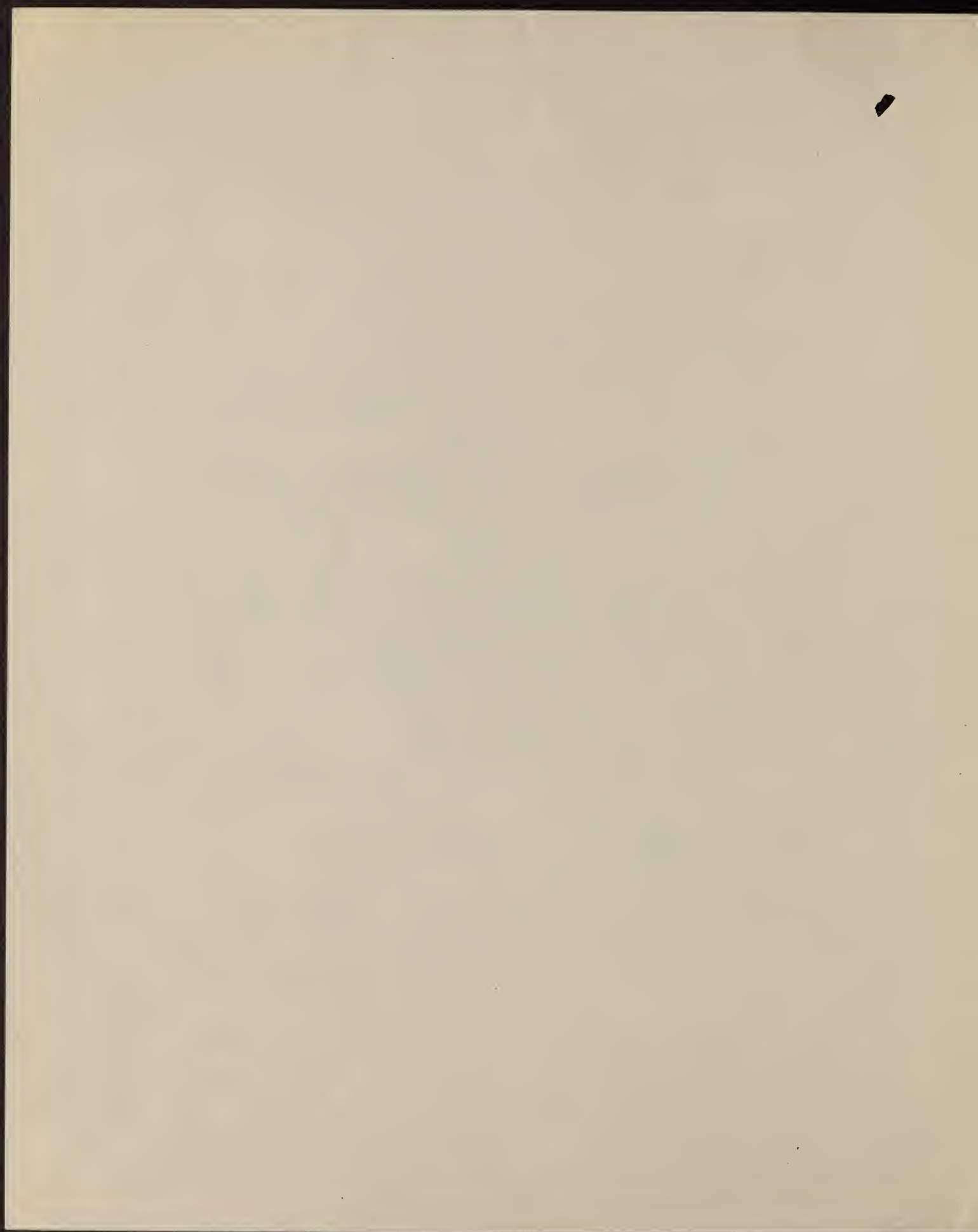
Resolved ^{also} that a citation be made out to Lieutenant Jonathan Church to appear before the Board forthwith in order that he may be examined as to the above -

Aug. 3. 1779

Received a letter from David Smith of Cambridge District dated the 5th Day of July 1779 respecting a certain Charles Church which letter is in the words following (to wit) (prout) ordered that the said letter be filed and that the subject matter thereof be taken into consideration at a future day -

Aug. 4. 1779

The Board taking into consideration the letter yesterday received from David Smith as in consequence thereof Order that Charles Church mentioned in the said letter be apprehended and confined -



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Church

Muster Roll of Tp 3 Fredericksburg 6 Oct 1784.

Lieut O. Church. 1 1 ⁺¹⁰ 0 0 0 1 1 ^{rest} man on land

Family at Cataragus

Minutes of Commissioners for defeating Conspiracies
Oliver Church.

Oct. 17. 1780

Israel Smith informed that Timothy Church
Comfort Joy - Jonathan Mills Church have
held correspondence with a certain Oliver
Church now an officer in the British
Army. ↗

Oct 30. 1780

Capt. Blackley appeared before the Board and informed us
that agreeable to a warrant from this Board (transmitted to
Col. Patterson on the 17th instant) he had apprehended Capt.
Timothy Church and Jonathan Mills Church resolved that
they be (brought) before (the) Board and severally examined —

Capt. Timothy Church and Jonathan Mills Church being
examined say as follows (see their Examinations on File)

Lieut. Jonathan Church who was cited to appear this Day
before us as a Witness against the said Timothy Church &
Jonathan Mills Church appeared and was examined (see
his Examination on file)

Resolved on Consideration of the above Examination that
Jonathan Mills Church be discharged and that Timothy
Church be discharged on entering into a Recognizance for
his Appearance before any three of the Commissioners for
Conspiracies when called upon and for his good Behaviour
and doing his duty during the continuance of the present
war with Great Britain —



U. E. Lint (contd)

the corps then raised by Col. Robt. Rogers. ~~of the Rangers~~ He joined the army on the expedition on Lake Champlain and shortly afterwards he died at Montreal.

The memorialist prays for the proportion of land to which his father would have been entitled to had he lived. The services of Melachy Church, the father, are certified on the back of the memorial by Major James Rogers of the Rangers.

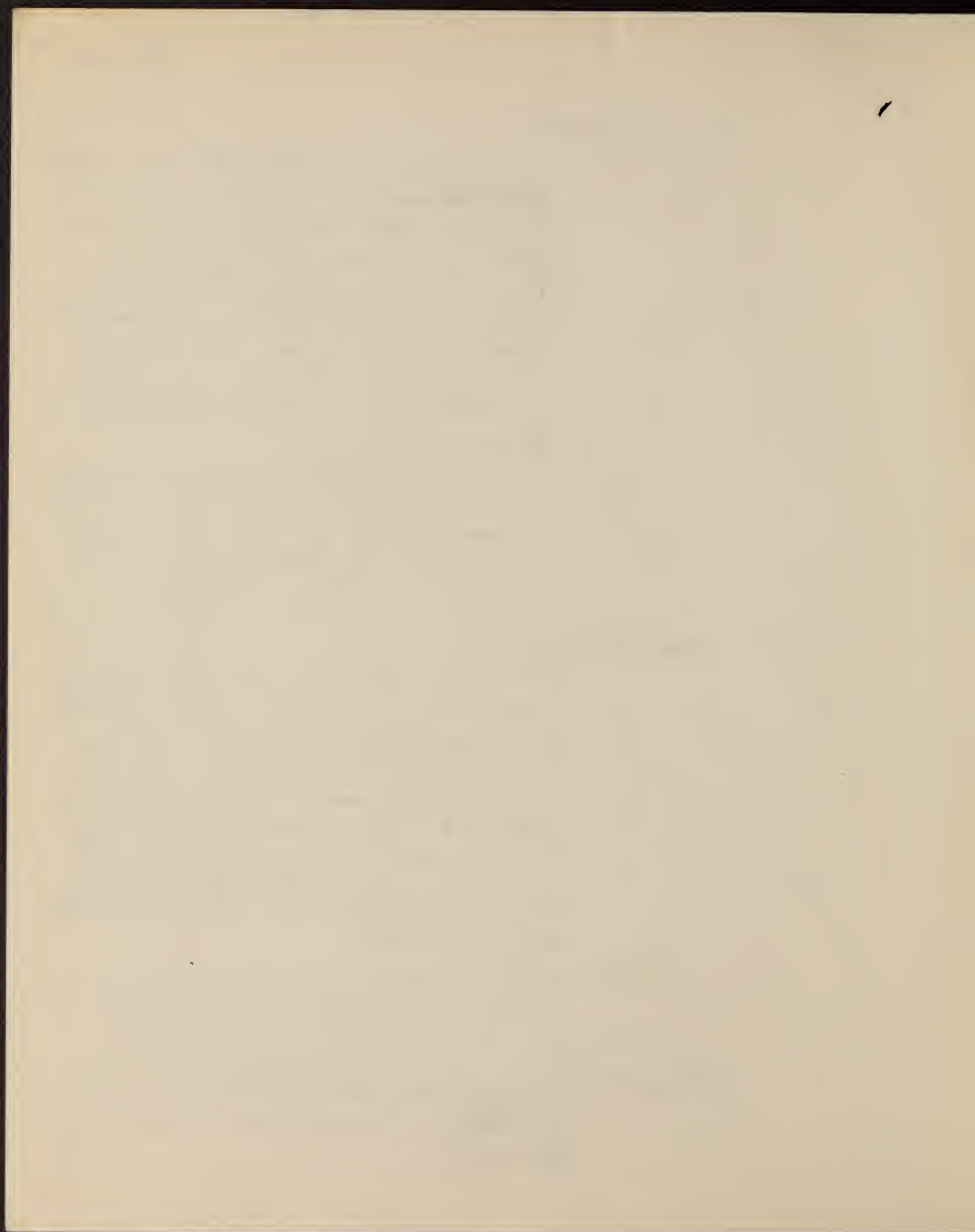
The Committee perceive no reason why the memorialist may not receive an order for locating such proportion of land as it may please Your Excellency to grant to him & the other children of Melachy if any there be.

Oliver 7.11.93 Hazelton Spencer, Lieut: Memorial in behalf of himself & Lieut: Oliver Church, that having located some time since on the north side of Burlington Bay lot No 2 which lands were apportioned to them as part of the lands they were entitled to draw, are desirous of being confirmed in the possession of said lands. Ordered, as there appears to be no return of location from the Genl. Secy's Office at Quebec, to stand over to know by what authority those lands were located

" 11.18.97 Praying for lds. as a mil. claimant. Rec. for 400 ac as a volunteer & son of a Lieut.

" 1798 Lot 17 Conc 1. Camden described for him

Jonathan M. 7.22.97 Praying for family lds & lds. in right of his ~~father~~ ^{father} as a mil. claimant. Rec. 50 acres family lds.



1
Church

bp³ 7.9.1788

Church, Oliver = Jeremiah → Malachi³ bp³ 2.16.1789

Eleanor bp³ 12.26.1789 wts ~~4.13.1801~~

2.28.1809, 6.8.1812

William Malachi bp³ 2.5.1791

= Maria → Daniel Richards

bp³ 9.13.1812

(nee Oute)

Oliver = Mary³ → John Oliver bp³ 8.25.1804

Archibald Garret bp³ 8.9.1807

William Youngs bp³ 6.24.1810

Fanella³ bp 12.20.1812

Elizabeth³ wts 4.13.1801, 2.28.1809, 1.23.1809

= Duncan McKenzie A.I. 2.28.1809

Jonathan M. wts 2.28.1809

John = Mary → Hazelton Spencer Oliver, bp³ 9.29.1811

U. E. List.

Oliver 3 S. G. Lieut. R. R. N. Y. Stamped Book.
P. L. 1786

Oliver Jr 3 Volunteer - 400-acres -- son of
H. O. Church, R. R. N. Y., P. L. 1786

U. E. List Supp - nil

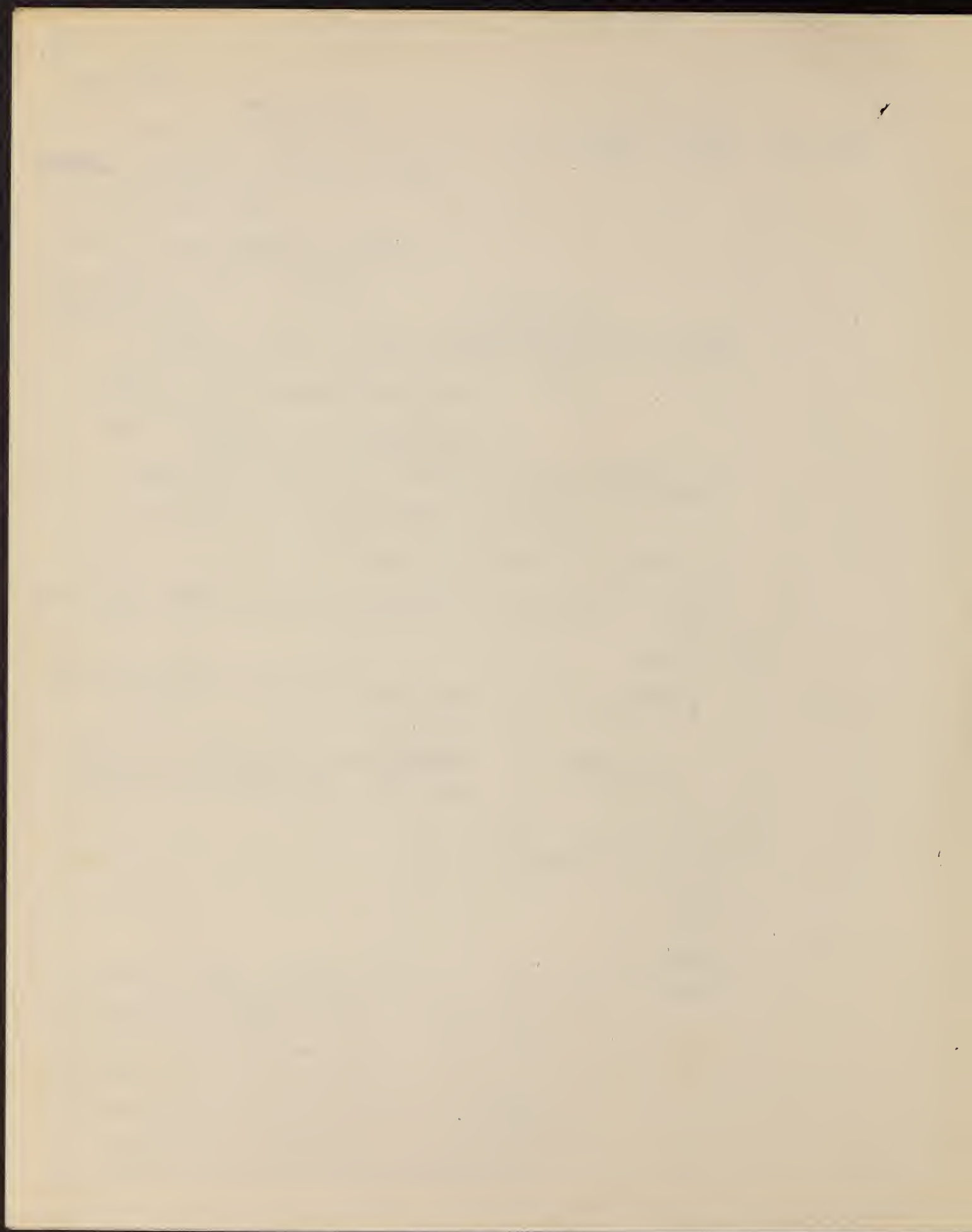
Boy. Claim & Witness - nil.

P. B. Q.

p. 225.

L. B. O.

Oliver 10.22.88. The memorial of Oliver Church, the son
of Malachi, a zealous loyalist as stated in the
memorial, who joined Gov. Tryon in 1775
and was employed by him to procure in-
telligence which service he performed to
the Governor's satisfaction & who was
appointed by Gen. Howe to be a Captain in



Capt Malachy Church.

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March, 1881

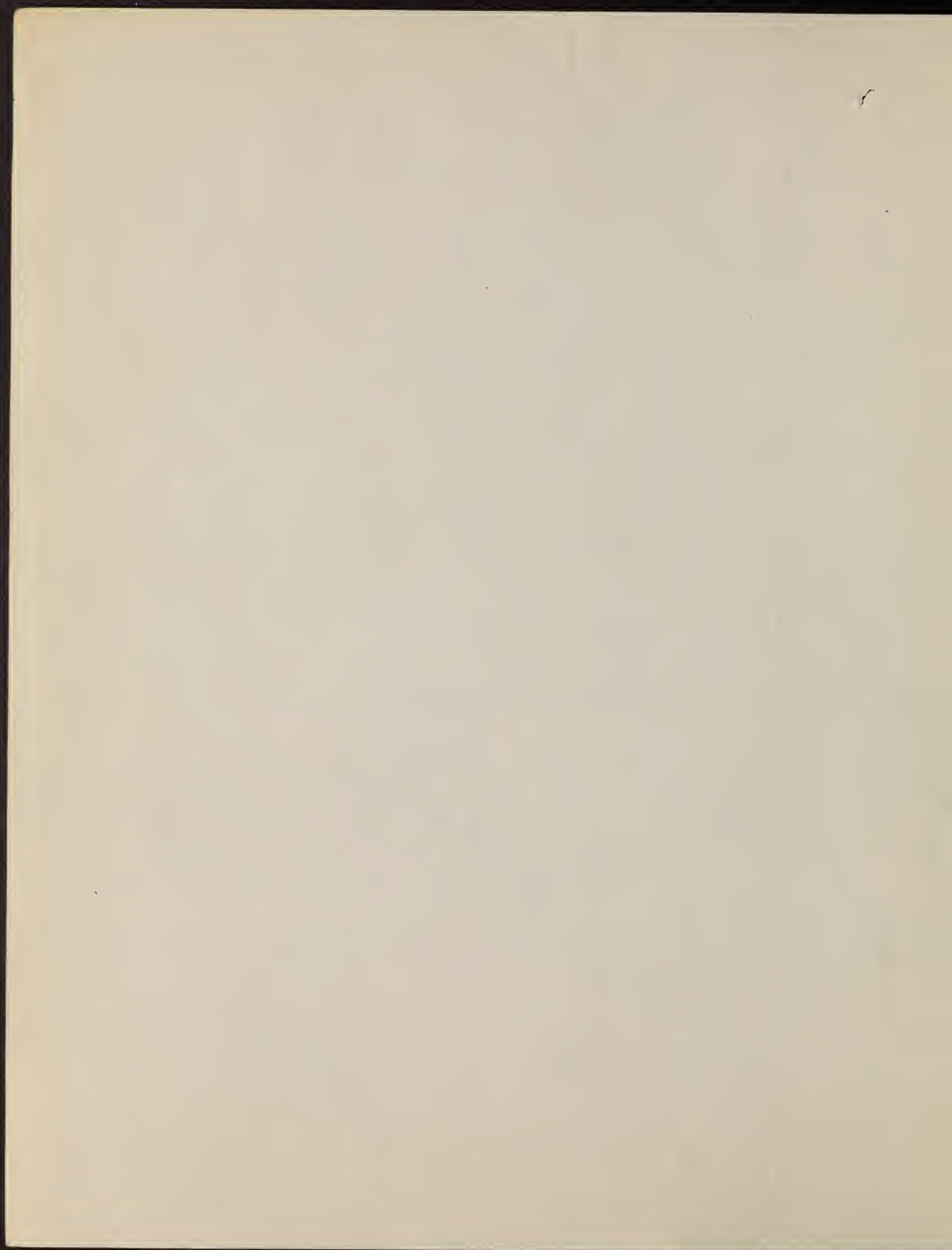
meta, dau of Garret Clute
Is this Oliver a son of Lt. S.

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see Pioneers of B. of G.

Dr. W. G. Oliver &
Mexico City

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1788 - Oliver Church, son of Malachy, a zealous loyalist as stated in the memorial, who joined Governor Tryon in 1775 and was employed by him to procure intelligence which service he performed to the Governor's satisfaction and who ^{was} appointed by General Howe to be a Captain in the Corps then raised by Colonel Robert Rogers. He joined the army on the expedition on Lake Champlain and shortly afterwards he died at Montreal.

The memorialist prays for the proportion of land to which his father would have been entitled had he lived. The services of Malachy Church, the father, are certified on the back of the memorial by Major James Rogers of the Rangers.

The Committee perceive no reason why the memorialist may not receive an order for locating such proportion of land as it may please Your Excellency to grant him and the other children of Malachy if any there be.

1793 - Hazelton Spencer, Lieut.: Memorial in behalf of himself & Lieut. Oliver Church, that having located some time since on the north side of Burlington Bay lot No 2 which lands were apportioned to them as part of the lands they were entitled to draw, are desirous of being confirmed in the possession of said lands. Ordered as there appears to be no return of location from the Surveyor General's Office at Quebec, to stand over to know by what authority those lands were located.

1797 - Jonathan M. Church. Praying for family lands and lands in right of his deceased father as a military claimant. Recommended for 150 acres family lands. NOT SON OF OLIVER. A brother uncle or cousin ^{see Comm. of Corresp.}

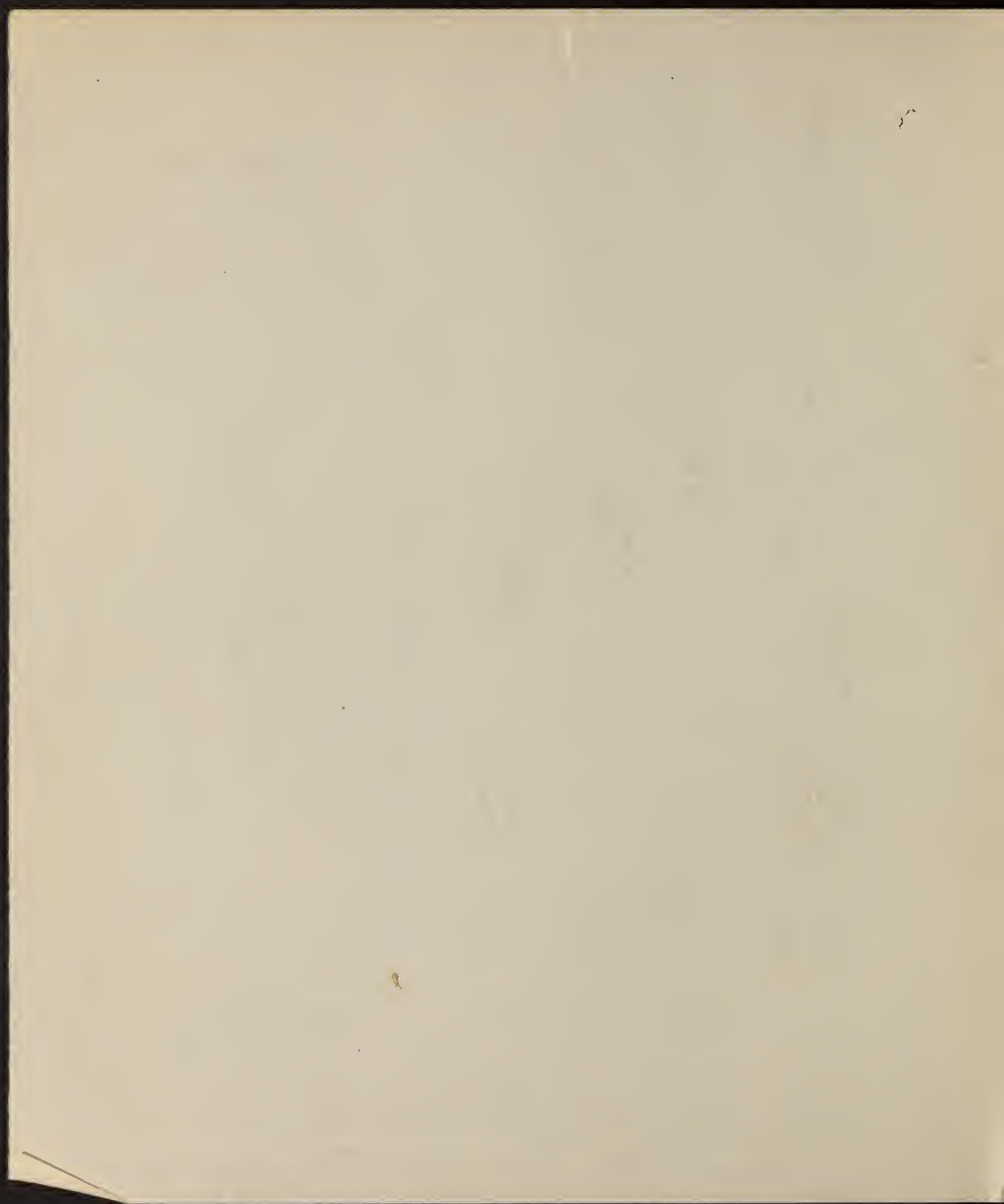
1797 - Oliver Church. Praying for ~~the~~ lands as a military claimant. Recommended for 400 acres as a volunteer and son of a lieutenant.

1797 - Catherine Church. Praying for lands as the daughter of a U. E. Loyalist. Ordered 200 acres ? ? ? ? ?

1798 - Oliver Church described as claimant for lot 17 conc 1. Camden

1798 - Amariah Church, a wife and 6 children in Hawkesbury. NO NO NO.





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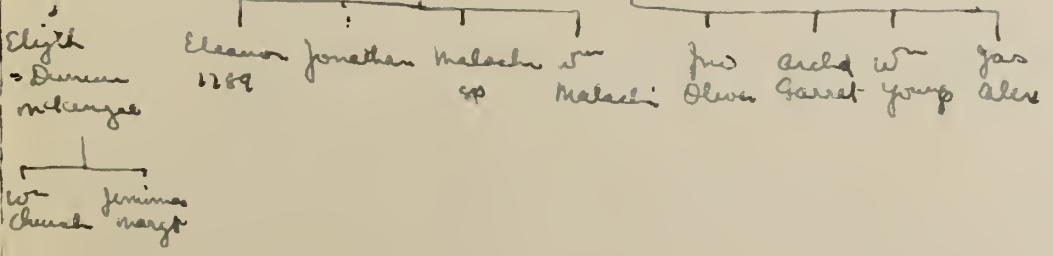
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 Feb 5 1791 Wm Malachi son " + Mary " 3
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 Sept 29 1811 Hazelton Spence Oliver son Jno + Mary Church 3
 Sept 3 1812 David Richards son Wm + Mary Church 3
 Dec 20 1812 Jno Alexander " Oliver + Mary " 3
 Apr 25 1813 Gemina Mary's dau Duncan + Eliza McLough A.I.

McDowall

15 Feb 1804 Oliver Church + Mereta Clute 3
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23 Dec 1790

Anne R. 2 = Robt Perry 2 Catharine Rogers wts.

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4 Mar 1802 Joseph R. wts man of 2 Emmett people

3 Nov 1803 " " " " " " 1 " 1 Fredksby

22 Mar 1804 " " 2 = Nancy Wees 2

5 Apr 1804 " " wts man of 2 Emmett

Oct 30 1796 Magdalena da Gideon + Rachael Rogers

Sep 25-1790 Jno Rogers buried Fredksby

Dec 3 1793 Margaret Rogers Sophiasby buried

June 18 1799 Wm Rogers Fredksby buried

June 11 1792

David M Rogers + Maryt Rogers wts man of 2 Soph
M. C. Dowell

28 Feb 1808 Susannah R 5 = Stephen Fennington 5 also 15 Mar 1819

17 Apr 1808 Elenor R 5 = Jno Stuffle 5

29 Mar 1814 Gideon R 5 = Catharine Lindsay 5 also both of Ogdensburg

15 Mar 1816 Jno R 5 = Mary Diamond 5

Born Bapt

20 Nov 1804 Mary 1/05 Sarah Maria da W Rogers + Catharine Elsworth

Dec 12 1804 Wm son Wm R. + Maryt Lindsay.

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Sandhurst Cern.

John
 Jos. Church, Esq., d. Oct. 18, 1853 aged 68.4.5. Ex. by his son, William
 Mary, his wife, b. Mar. 13, 1790; d. Dec. 1, 1833, aged 43.8.18.
 Julia Margaret Church, their dau., b. Apr. 20, 1819; d. Feb. 14, 1830
 Hazelton Spencer Oliver Church, their son, b. June 2, 1811; d. June 22, 1831.
 David Church, d. Feb. 28, 1833, aged 19.9.15. Elected by his bro., William
 John Rafter, son of W. + P. A. Church, d. May 1, 1850, aged 1.0.2
 Allen. 2d son of James + Jane Chamberlain.
 William Church, d. May 25, 1853, aged 32 yrs

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lieut Oliver Church 1100011 ^{servant.} family at Colaragui

Commissioners of Conspiracies, New York, Old Co. Board
 1778-81

Oct. 17. 1780 Israel Smith informed that Timothy Church, Comfort Joy, &
 Jonathan Mills Church have held correspondence with a certain Oliver
 Church, now an officer in the British Army.

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Oliver Church born in America, served 7 years Farmer.

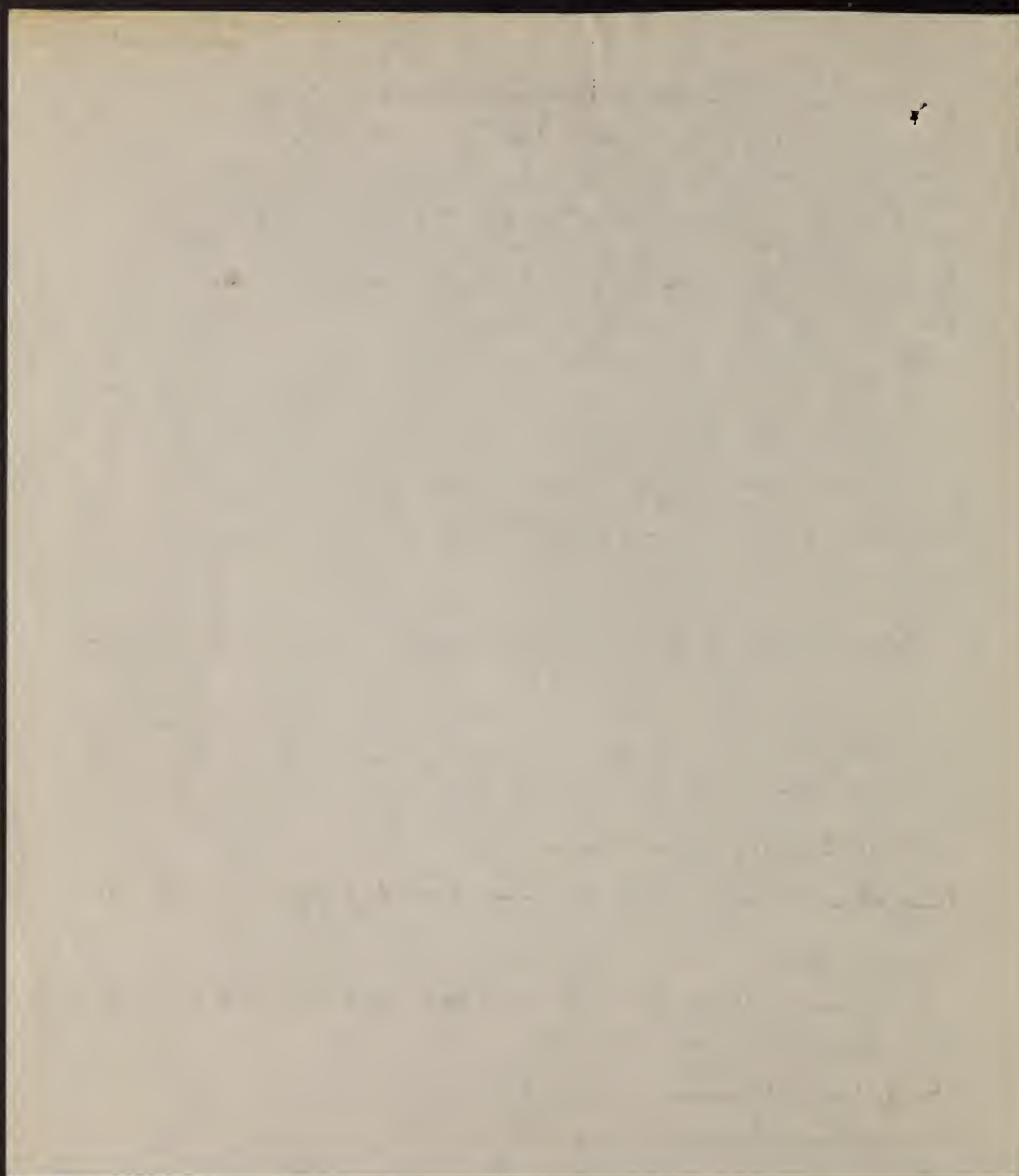
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St Church d 1812; his wife died some years later. Both were very old

They had 3 sons + 3 daus.

Half Pay Officers in 1806

Oliver Church, aged 50



Directory of 1865

Church

Church, Edward, roller, Victoria Iron Works, Kingston, & Morton's cottages.
 " James, head waiter, British American Hotel, bds same.; Kingston.
 Prouyn, M. W., deputy sheriff, counties Lennox & Addington; office, Court House, Napanee.
 " Oliver T., sheriff, do do do
 Chamberlain, John, Conway, farmer.
 Church, Herman, Tp Pittsburg, - lot 4.
 " Charles, Tp Ernestown - -
 Prouyn, Oliver T. " do. Fredkshg 1 -



Levi Ruggles Church, Q.C.

Representative Canadians.

Levi Ruggles Church, Q.C., Montreal, was born at Aylmer, on the 26th May, 1836. He is descended from one of the oldest families in New England, his ancestors having emigrated from the old country to the colony of Massachusetts, in the early part of the seventeenth century. One of these, Colonel Benjamin Church, distinguished himself in the French and Indian wars in which the New England colonists were engaged, having commanded the volunteer army, which, in a protracted kind of guerilla warfare, defeated and afterwards killed the celebrated Indian King, Philip, who had given so much trouble and alarm to the early settlers. At the breaking out of the revolutionary war, the Church family, respectable both in numbers and position, being Whigs, espoused the Republican cause, except two, who took up arms to defend the royal prerogative. One of these was killed in battle, and the other, Jonathan Mills Church, was taken prisoner in 1777, by the American army, from whose custody he escaped and came to Canada, and ultimately settled in the neighborhood of Brockville. He took an active part in defending Canada during the war of 1812-13-14, and died at a very advanced age in 1846. Our subject is the second son of the late Dr. Peter Howard Church, of Aylmer, P.Q.; and grandson of the above mentioned Jonathan Mills Church. Levi R. Church was educated at Victoria University, Cobourg. He graduated in medicine at the Albany Medical College, and at McGill University, where he took final and primary, thesis prizes. He studied law under the late Henry Stuart, Q.C., and subsequently under Edward Carter, Q.C., and was called to the bar, Lower Canada, in 1859. He was created a Q.C., 1874. He is president of the Upper Ottawa Junction Ry. Co., and of the Upper Ottawa Towing and Steamboat Company, and a director of the Bank of Ottawa. He also served during twelve years as one of the governors of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada; was prosecuting attorney for the District of Ottawa from July, 1868, until the 22nd September, 1874, when he was appointed a member of the Executive Council of the province of Quebec, and was sworn in as attorney general, which office he continued to fill until transferred to the treasurership of the province, the 27th January, 1878. He negotiated, during his occupancy of the office of treasurer, a provincial loan in England for the purposes of constructing the provincial railways. He sat for the County of Ottawa from 1867 until 1871, when he retired, but on accepting office in 1874, was returned by acclamation for the County of Pontiac, and was re-elected by acclamation at the general election of 1876, and again in 1880, after a contest. He is a member of the law firm of Church, Chapleau, Hall, & Nicolls, Montreal. At the formation of the Chapleau administration, in 1882, he was offered his choice of either of the two offices previously held by him in the Provincial cabinet, but declined. In 1883, he was again offered the treasurership of the province, which he again declined, preferring the active practice of his profession. He married on September 3rd, 1850, Jane Erskine, daughter of William Bell, barrister, and niece of General Sir George Bell, K.C.B.

Jonathan Mills C

d 1846

Peter Howard

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Levi Ruggles

1836 -

= Jane Erskine Bell

Lieut. Oliver Church

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P. 218 May 1779 Johnson wrote from Lachine May 25 to Haldemand.

" I have now the pleasure to report to Your Excellency the Return of Sutherland and Church of my Regiment; who went from hence on 15th of last month, the former to Tryon County from whence he has brought off thirteen recruits. The Intelligence he brings, I imagine, will be sent to Your Excellency from Sorell, as he has & not yet been with me; the latter (Church) to Otter Creek, the written intelligence comes from Colonels Wells & Jones, the one lives in New Hampshire, the other in Connecticut, they say they soon expect a Person from New York, who was sent for Intelligence; and offer their Services for That purpose in future.

P. 221 (1779) Scouting parties were sent out almost weekly from those places (Sorel, St. Jean, Isle aux Noix) into New York, New Hampshire, and Vermont with satisfactory results not only in obtaining information of value but in enlisting men on the frontier. Oliver Church and Walter Sutherland in this way earned their commissions in the regiment.

P. 246 (Oct 1780) Three parties under Sir John Johnson. Major Christopher Carleton and Captain John Munro ^{named} attacked New York State from different directions. The last party commanded by Captain John Munro, afterwards for many years a member of the Legislative Council of Upper Canada, crossed Lake Champlain to Crown Point with Major Carleton (They landed at the head of South Bay). Sinking his boats in West Bay for their better concealment, Munro began his march through the woods, having instructions //

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to join Sir John Johnson on the Mohawk river by way of Saratoga, if possible. In this mission he did not succeed but destroyed a considerable part of the settlement of Ballston and brought off as prisoners the principal officers of the militia and committee men of that district, as described in the following unpublished account of his expedition.

"Agreeable to your Excellency's orders I proceeded from Crown Point on the 7th Inst., (Oct?) with one hundred of the King's Royal Regt. of New York together with thirty Four Rangers and the Mohawk Indians under the direction of Lieut. Langan. We marched seven miles the first day, but the men complaining of the great weight of their Provision & Ammunition, I thought it best to complete them to 50 Rounds pr. man and 30 days provisions and leave the remainder of the Ammunition and one days Provision at this place — Next day we continued our march without interruption, & on the 3rd day at night one of the men cut himself with an Axe, and another fell sick, which obliged me to leave a third to take care of them — the fourth day we proceeded without any farther accident, and the 5th in the morning Mr. Church and Mr. Smith with two men which I left with Major Carleton came to me at Sacandaga River, and informed me that the Major had taken Forts George & Anne, here I appointed Mr. Fraser & an Indian to meet me which I had dispatched from Ligonier Bay to Balls Town for Intelligence, also

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Three Rangers and two Indians which I had sent to John Town for the same purpose, but did not meet me at the time appointed which, together with Mr. Church's informing me that Major Carleton had retired to Siconderoga, gave me a great deal of uneasiness, as Mr. Fraser who met me this day (the 6th of our march) informed me there was no news of Sir John in Balls Town, and that all the Country was alarmed by a Deserter from Major Rogers's Corps, who gave a particular Acct of our numbers and Intentions, which caused the Schenectady Militia to be called into Balls Town, three days before we arrived there — However I was determined to proceed to Balls Town and to get as near it as possible without being discovered — the 16th Inst. about 12 o'clock I found myself close to the Inhabitants, but still ten miles from Balls Town, and for fear of being discovered I sent some of the Rangers and Indians to watch three diff't roads that were near, and secure every Person that may pass — They were not long absent before they brought me two men from whom I could learn no more than that we were expected in Balls Town and that a number of the Schenectady Militia were there, and all the men in Town in Arms — Not being satisfied with their Intelligence I sent Mr. Church and two Rangers to some Friends Houses for farther Intelligence, giving them directions to meet me on the way to Balls Town — We then proceeded along the highway, and when we marched about two miles the Rangers and Indians fell in with and took one Seb, a Rifleman and Hunter who had been out to discover any tracks of an Enemy; this man being a Prisoner before in Canada, and making his escape from

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the Indians: soon determined his Fate, for he was instantly put to Death — In a little time after Mr. Church joined us with a Friend who served as guide, who informed us there were 150 men in Arms in the Town, and that a Hundred more were to be raised on the first certain Alarm! This Information staggered me much, however I flatter'd myself should they have such a number that by surprising them in the night I would be able to carry my party off safe, and procure them some Provision which they stood in very great need of. All determined we proceeded thro' Pasley and New Galloway (two Settlements near Balls Town) and the roads being the worst I ever traveled, and the night being very dark; the Detachment was several times scattered, but at about 11 o'Clock the moon appeared, by which means I got all the party together — We past several houses pointed out by Mr. Fraser as Friends, and between 12 and one o'Clock in the morning, I arrived at Col. Gordon's House. I ordered Lieut. Dungan with the Rangers and Indians to rush in at once on the House, while I drew up ~~the~~ my men at two paces from each other, with shouldered Arms & fixed Bayonets, the moon shining so bright upon the mens arms, & forming the line so large a Person not acquainted with our numbers would imagine them much greater than they really were — The Coll. and all his family were soon secured. —

"Here I was at a loss whether to turn back and attack the Militia in the Church, (which was a mile out of my course) or proceed on the plan laid down from my former intelligence; but after a re-consideration I thought it most prudent, from

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The nature of my instructions, not to risk my men but to make the best of my time in burning & destroying all the Rebel Houses & property in the centre of the Town, and keep a sharp look out at my rear which was illuminated by the Houses and Barns set on fire — By daylight I got out of the Town with all my Party safe excepting Lt. Lipscomb who hurt his foot, but we procured him a Horse by which means we got him along with some trouble — The men were not at all pleased that they had not more satisfaction of the Rebels, but I thought my remaining any longer would endanger the whole Party; as I had not any certain Accts of Sir John Johnson — Finding that the men had procured some Flour, and having a sufficient stock of Cattle which we drove off: I halted about 10 miles from the Town and ordered the Cattle to be killed; as I found it would be too troublesome to take them all the way — Next morning I found four men among the Prisoners who were not able to travel, I made interest with the Indians to permit them to go back, which after a great deal of persuasion they consented to; but finding that they were determined to follow and kill them, I ordered the Guard in the rear to leave them 5 or 6 miles farther behind than the place proposed, which saved their lives —

"Inclosed is all the Intelligence I have had of Sir John Johnson, and finding that my stay any longer in the Country would endanger the whole Party, and could be of no service to Sir John, unless we could form a Junction; I lost no time in joining Major Carleton, which I have effected about 2 o'clock yesterday, without the loss of a man; two sick men which I left behind were within 7

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miles of this place last night, so that I expect Them in every hour. On my arrival here the Detachment were in great want of Provisions; as part of what we left concealed in the woods was taken by some Parties coming to this Province, and the rest of what we left was eat up by the Vermin — I have the pleasure to Acquaint your Excellency that both the Officers and men went thro' this hard & disagreeable march with great spirit, particularly Lieut. Langan who was foremost upon every occasion, and I also beg leave to recommend Adjt. Valentine to your Excellency's notice. On my arrival in Canada I hope to give your Excellency a more particular Acct of the proceedings of the Detachment under my command — I now wait Major Carleton's orders and shall proceed according to his directions.

"West Bay
near Crown Point

24th Oct. 1780

P. S. Coll Gordon with the Principal Officers of the Militia are among the Prisoners in all 19.

Munro's supplementary report, dated at Lachine on November 20, was addressed to Major R. B. Lemoult, the Adjutant General.

"On my Return from Balls Town to Crown Point," he wrote, "I took the liberty of delivering Major Carleton a particular account of our Proceedings during my absence, which no doubt he has transmitted to the Commander in Chief. I cannot say how far he may approve of my Conduct but I can assure you that Consistent with the safety of the men under my Command, I could not stay 6

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longer in the Country, being within Twenty five miles of Albany, Nine miles of Schenectady & having received no Intelligence of Sir John Johnson, notwithstanding the appointed time of our meeting was elapsed Six Days — Major Carleton having returned to Crown Point, the men in great want of Provisions; and was distressed for everything having wore out all their Shoes, Moccasins, Trousers, Leggings, &c., found it necessary to make a descent on Balls Town, and proceed to join Major Carleton without loss of time.

My reason for not striking first on Saratoga as directed was owing to the great number of Women & Children which were lodged in the Barracks and having their Husbands in my Detachment, would of course follow them, and also not knowing that General Schuyler was arrived there; these considerations induced me to get as near Schenectady as possible in order to join Sir John Johnson in which I was disappointed. —

I take the liberty of inclosing an account of provisions and necessaries which I hope his Excellency will please to allow the men, as they only Received one Pound of Bread & ten ounces of Pork per day, which I found by the Men's Complaints was not sufficient for so severe a March, And the one half of it was Destroyed by Vermin, being left in the woods as a reserve for our return, as it was impossible for the men to carry it the whole way — There can be nothing more disagreeable to me than to be under the necessity of accruing any expences upon Government, could I avoid it — And exclusive of the Accounts inclosed I have been Ten Pounds out of Pocket for Trifles given to the men in lieu of part of their Provisions given to support the Prisoners we brought in,

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such as Gills of Rum and Soap from Sutherland the Suttler who met us at Crown Point with such Articles.

I think it my duty to inform you that I traveled Ten Miles thro' Friendly Inhabitants before I got in the centre of Balls Town; many of whom served as guides in the night and notwithstanding their knowledge of the Roads, the Closeness of the woods and the darkness of the night, occasion'd the men to be scattered before the Moon appeared, and intierly lost even the Indians, but by their care, the party got all together again — I offered them Money which they refused, and some of them continued with me until I got back into the woods again, and I am informed by Persons that came in since, that they met a large Body of Militia pursuing us, when those Guides inform'd them that my Detachment consisted of Five Hundred Men, they advised them immediately to turn back, which they accordingly did, and I have reason to believe that this Information discouraged General Schuyler from sending the party he was collecting about Fort Edward and Saratoga to intercept us back of Lake George —

Those People informed me that there was above four hundred Negroes in a Combination about Schenectady and Albany wanting to join the King's Troops, and that they were certain had I sent a person before my arrival there to inform them that all about Schenectady would have been able to join; six or seven of said Negroes are come in since, and confirm the same report, - - - - -

Col. Gordon, whom I brought Prisoner, was one of the Court which condemned Lieutenant Heaveton on Half Pay for his Loyalty, Captain Collins and Benedict were commanding

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Officers at Chambly, after taking possession of this Part of the Province, had used Colonel Campbell and Major Dunbar very roughly —

"Colonel Gordon was also one of the Council whom have made laws for Executing his Majesty's Subjects without the Benefit of Clergy.

After the receipt of these letters Captain Mathews informed Munro that Haldimand had fully approved his conduct and the good behaviour of his officers and soldiers.

P. 246 The expedition, organized at St. Jean under command of Major Christopher Carleton, was composed of a hundred picked men from the regular and loyalist regiments in that district and about the same number of Indians. It moved down Lakes Champlain and George in boats and landed at the head of South Bay. Advancing rapidly with great secrecy, Fort Anne was completely surrounded and its garrison of seventy men surrendered at the first summons. Marching forward next day to attack Fort George, the greater part of the garrison of that post was ambushed on its way to the relief of Fort Anne. Four officers and twenty-three others were killed in this combat and a dozen prisoners taken. Fort George was invested and immediately surrendered. Both these forts were at once destroyed with all the neighbouring houses, barns, mills, and other buildings in accordance with Haldimand's settled policy of devastating every advanced frontier settlement, which might be used as a base of operations for the invasion of his province. Carleton's expedition was mainly intended to perplex the enemy and.

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"divert attention from Johnson's movements and then retired to Crown Point, where he had been ordered to remain as long as the lake was navigable," to draw the attention of the Enemy."

P. 261 On June 14(1781), Sir John forwarded nine newspapers and a memorandum from several leading men in Vermont proposing negotiations for peace, which had been brought in by Lieut. Oliver Church. Haldemand remarked that "the latter contains very interesting circumstances which I hope will prove authentic; I shall be happy by every means in my power to promote such of them as have any Relation to or dependence upon me."

In response to an inquiry from Haldemand, Johnson stated that:

"Mr. Church was prying to every thing contained in the paper of Intelligence, it being handed to him open and he had a Conversation with Mr. Knowlton upon the subject of its contents, one part of which was that if any agreement should be entered into with the State of Vermont that would affect the property of Loyalists, all unearners on that head might be removed by an Equivalent in lands in some other Quarter.

"Mr. Church being the Person I have several Times employed to go to Colonel Wells and being well known to him and one whom he confides in, and from my knowledge of him I can think of no other so fit to be entrusted upon the present occasion.

P. 302 (Oct 1783) In his next letters he (Ross) enclosed agreements from Robert Hamilton and Peter Clark, both merchants, John Howell, a settler, Lieut. John Howard

The American Medical Association is a non-profit corporation organized for the purpose of promoting the science and art of medicine and the health of the people of the United States. It was organized in 1847 and has since that time been the leading organization of the medical profession in this country.

The Association is composed of members who are physicians, surgeons, dentists, and other medical practitioners. It is organized into sections, each of which is devoted to a particular branch of medicine. The sections are: Anatomy, Physiology, Pathology, Therapeutics, Hygiene, and Public Health. Each section has its own officers and publishes its own journal. The Association also publishes a general journal, the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, which contains articles on all branches of medicine.

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~~As~~ Lieut. Oliver Church acknowledging that the houses built by them were not to be considered private property or transferrable without permission of the commanding officer but to all intents and purposes belonging to the King and subject to demolition if required by his service or to forfeiture in case of bad conduct on their part.

2nd Battalion K. R. R. N. Y.

Rank	Name	Place of nativity	length of service	Former situations and remarks.
Lieut.	<u>Oliver Church</u>	America	1 years	Farmer.

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= Gemma, dau. Lt. John Richards & Alice
bapt Dec 1765

1 Elizabeth, b. July, 1783; marr. 23.2.1809, Duncan McKenzie. O.C. 10.5.1803.
d. before 1869 d. 6.10.1861 b. 30.4.1783
13.6.1785 d. 9.7.1859

2 (Oliver, b. 1784, Ld. Petition 1805; mar. Mary) (Mereta Chell) 15.2.1804
d. before 1869. Fredericksburgh Tax list 1808: ch. bp 1804-1812

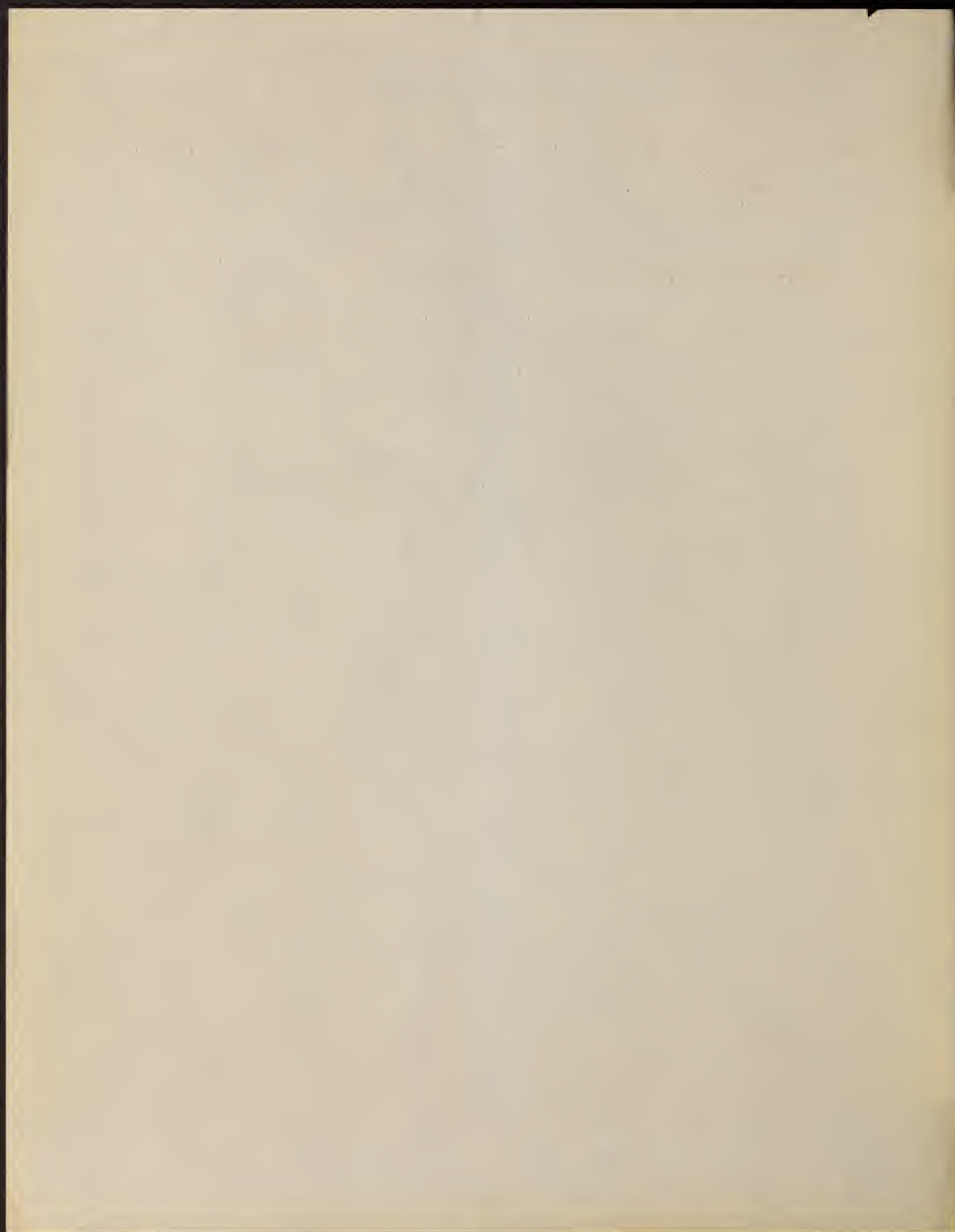
4 Mary, mar. 3.4.1807, Wm. T. Pruyn b. 11.4.1787. bp. 6.5.1787 O.C. 26.1.1808.
b. 24.9.1786; d. 1.10.1853 d. 3.8.1827

3 John, of Fredericksburgh, (b. 13.6.1785) (mar. Mary Nash) (1790-1833) " 7.2.1809
d. before 1869: Fredericksburgh Tax list 1808: ch. bp 1811 (13.3.1790)
d. 1785-1853 (18.10.1853) (1.12.1833)

5 Malachi, bapt. 9.7.1788; bur. 16.2.1789

6 Eleanor, bapt. 26.12.1789 " 16.2.1811
died in 1868

7 William, of Fredericksburgh, bapt. 5.2.1791; mar. Maria Nash 11.3.1809 " 9.7.1817
d. before 1869 d. son Daniel Richards bp 13.9.1812
(Catherine)



BAY OF QUINTE PIONEERS.

Church.

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The history of the Church family goes back to the year 1360, when John at Church is recorded as living at Great Parndon, Essex County, England. From this John, through a long line of responsible citizens, including Members of Parliament, counsellors, aldermen and merchants in the Midlands of England, is descended Richard Church, the first of the name in the New World. Richard was born in London in 1610, and with his wife and four children emigrated to America in 1636 in company with his brothers-in-law, John and Nathaniel Marsh and Isaac Graves. After first settling in Hartford, Conn., he removed to Hadley, Mass., where he died in 1687. His son, Captain Samuel, and grandson, Samuel, Jun., lived and died in Hadley. Nathaniel, son of Samuel, Jun. and great-grandson of Richard the pioneer, married Rachel McCranney and removed to Brattleboro, Vermont, about 1760 when that section was opened for colonization.

At the outbreak of the American Revolution three of Nathaniel's sons declared for the King, while the remaining four sided with the rebels. Malachi, the second son, and pioneer of the Church family of the Bay of Quinte district, joined Governor Tryon in 1775 accompanied by his son, Oliver, then a youth of twenty. Malachi was employed in the Intelligence Service and was appointed a captain in the corps of Queen's Rangers being formed by Colonel Robert Rogers of Rogers' Rangers fame. The father and son joined the British on Lake Champlain in 1776 and retired to Montreal for the winter where the father died soon after.

The son, Oliver Church, played an important role in the remaining years of the war. As a volunteer under Sir John Johnson he was employed in the Intelli-

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gence Service, as was his father before him. During the period from 1777 to 1782 he made repeated journeys into Vermont and Connecticut to collect information and to carry despatches, being absent for months at a time behind the enemy lines with his very life at stake. One false move would have meant a rope over a branch on the nearest tree. During these forays he encouraged numerous recruits to join the British standard, for which service he obtained a commission in Sir John Johnson's second battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York which was formed in 1781. With a portion of this unit he participated in the raid of October, 1781, led by Brigadier Powell, in which Fort George and Fort Anne were captured and destroyed and in which Ballstown was raided and put to flames. Latterly he was with his unit as garrison at the outposts at the foot of Lake Ontario, and was present at the rebuilding of Fort Frontenac in the summer and fall of 1783. During the previous year, while on duty at Oswego, he met Jemima, the seventeen year old daughter of Lieut. John Richards, interpreter in the Indian Department. They were married that same year, and twelve months later she, with her infant daughter, Elizabeth, accompanied her husband's battalion to Fort Frontenac. Lieut. Church, knowing that the region about the fort and westward along the Bay of Quinte was being prepared for the settlement of the homeless Loyalists, built a small house for his family close to the fort. This unpretentious house, erected near the foot of Barrack Street, and long since removed, was one of the first Loyalist residences in this district.

Lieut Oliver Church continued to serve with Sir John's second battalion

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until its disbandment at Fort Frontenac on June 25, 1784. He accompanied the unit when it settled in the present township of Fredericksburgh, leaving his young wife and daughter with the family servant in the house beside the fort. In the drawing of lots in the township he was fortunate to obtain his location in the first concession facing the Upper Gap. Here he died in 1812 at the age of fifty-seven, leaving his widow and family of three sons and three daughters.

Of his three sons, John and William remained in Fredericksburgh for many years and with their families are buried in St. Paul's Cemetery, Sandhurst. The third son, Oliver, removed to Prince Edward County shortly after 1808, where he died at a ripe age and where his descendants still reside. These sons, it is said, all took an active part in the War of 1812. Oliver attained the rank of captain while serving with the Prince Edward County militia. The daughters married into the Mackenzie and Finkle families.

The name of Church has long since disappeared from Fredericksburgh Township, although descendants carrying the names of Ham and Young still live along the Front. Like so many families, the later generations have scattered far from the old home. A grandson was Sheriff in Lennox and Addington, a great-grandson was a Judge in Oxford County. Many familiar names in those early days are encountered in enumerating the descendants of Lieut. Church--Pruyn, Finkle, Ham, Mackenzie, Chamberlain, Price, Young, Murney, Welbanks, Dulmage, Minaker, Farrington. And none of these should recall its past history without a certain degree of pride in the honorable part Lieut. Oliver and his young wife played in the battle for

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a lost cause and the struggle for a home in a new land.

